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On 19/17/61, at an evening rally of this group at the Dallas Auditorium, when this group had been unable to make telephone contact with U. S. Senator JOHN TOWER and U. S. Congressman BRUCE ALGER, McGEHEE "blew up" and made the statement that Senator TOWER and Congressman ALGER had signed their political death warrants in Texas for turning their backs on the NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION. The meeting promptly turned into a turmoil in which some individuals walked out and other tried to get the speaker's stand to protest McGEHEE's condemnation of TOWER and ALGER. The following evening McGEHEE apologized to Senator TOWER and Congressman ALGER. Newspaper articles reflect that in addition to protesting the training of Yugoslav Airmen, many right-wing extremists also got up and condemned everything from income tax to the boy scouts.

The following background information has been obtained on McGEHEE through public sources and discreet inquiry. McGEHEE is a white male, age 32, a Korean war veteran, formerly a pilot for Pioneer Airlines and Continental Airlines in Dallas. He graduated in 1960 from the University of Dallas and is presently attending night law school at SMU, second year. He is also treasurer of the Spera Corporation, which operates an auto repair garage at 7110 Webster, Dallas. He resides at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Dallas, and is married. McGEHEE was born and raised in Dallas.

No active investigation of the NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION has been conducted, however, from information volunteered to agents of this office, it is apparent that self-admitted members of the John Birch Society are prime movers behind this organization. Self-admitted members of the John Birch Society have formed telephone committees to get out a large attendance and have been circulating petitions in the Dallas area in connection with this organization. It has also been determined from self-admitted members of John Birch Society that they were aware of the fact that an article would be printed in the "Dallas Morning News" condemning the training of Yugoslav Pilots a week prior to its publication, and it appears that they were then in a position to begin a "spontaneous" protest.

Articles appearing in the "Dallas Morning News" reflect that the NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION recessed on 10/21/61 with plans to reconvene in Dallas from 11/22-24/61. In the meantime, the NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION would be held in other cities throughout the United States.

Letterhead memorardum follows.

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Re Dallas Air-Tel to Bureau 11/15/61.

Enclosed to the Bureau are five copies of a letterhead memo and an article which appeared in the Dallas Times Herald and one appearing in the Dallas Morning News quoting U. S. Attorney General ROBERT F. KENNEDY condemning the NIC. One copy of letterhead being furnished to Los Angeles.

The information furnished by FRANK MC GEHEE on 10/31/61 was furnished to SAs [ when he was interviewed under Bureau instructions This information was volunteered. The inforunder that date. mation furnished by MR. W. G. RAGLEY was volunteered to SA on 10/17/61. - Bureau (Encl.7(RM)

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Dallas, Texas November 17, 1961

NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION

An article appeared in the Dallas Morning News, a daily Dallas newspaper dated October 13, 1961, quoting Major H. C. KNICKERBOCKER, JR., Texas Air National Guard Pilot, stating there were four Yugoslav pilots training at Perrin Air Force Base, near Sherman, Texas.

An article appeared October 15, 1961, in the Dallas Morning News, stating that on October 14, 1961, a rally was held at the Dallas Auditorium protesting the sale of 135 Sabre Jet Fighters to Yugoslavia and the training of Yugoslav airmen at Texas air bases. There were 300 persons present at this rally, which was presided over by FRANK B. MC GEHEE, a self-admitted member of the John Birch Society. At this meeting the NATIONAL INDIGNATION COMMITTEE (NIC) was formed to protest this transaction. MC GEHEE and five other individuals attempted to picket Perrin Air Force Base, but were told by Air Force officials that there was a \$500.00 fine and a jail sentence for unauthorized entrance on to an air base.

The Dallas Morning News on October 16, 1961, stated that on the evening of October 15, 1961, a second meeting of the NIC was held, this meeting attracting an estimated crowd of 1200 individuals.

An article appeared—in the Dallas Morning News on October 17, 1961, stating that on October 16, 1961, an estimated crowd of 500 individuals were present. Numerous persons, such as U. S. Congressman BRUCE ALGER of Dallas, Major General HARRY CRUTCHER, head of the Texas Air National Guard, as well as Major HARRY KNICKERBOCKER, backed this convention.

An article appeared in the Dallas Morning News on October 18, 1961, which stated that on October 17, 1961, at an evening rally held at the Dallas Auditorium when FRANK MC GEHEE was unable to establish telephone contact with U.S. Senator JOHN TOWER and U.S. Congressman BRUCE ALGER in order to conduct a telephone interview which would be broadcasted to the NIC, MC GEHEE "blew up" and made the statement that Senator TOWER and

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Congressman ALGER had signed their political death warrants in Texas for turning their backs on the NIC. The meeting promptly turned into a turmoil in which some individuals walked out and others tried to get the speaker's stand to protest MC GEHEE's condemnation of Senator TOWER and Congressman ALGER. MC GEHEE later apologized to Senator TOWER and Congressman ALGER.

MR. W. G. RAGLEY, <u>Dallas</u>, <u>Texas</u>, a self-admitted member of the John Birch Society, advised that the John Birch Society is the prime mover behind behind the NIC and that members of the John Birch Society have formed telephone committees to help get out a large turnout at the NIC meetings and have circulated petitions in the Dallas area in connection with this organization. MR. RAGLEY admitted that members of the John Birch Society were aware of the fact that an article would be printed in the Dallas Morning News on October 13, 1961, condemning the training of Yugoslav airmen a week prior to its publication, and that they were prepared then to begin a "spontaneous" protest.

FRANK MC GEHEE on October 30, 1961, advised that the NIC recessed in Dallas on October 21, 1961, with plans to reconvene on November 2, 1961, in Dallas. In the meantime, the NIC would hold protest meetings in other cities throughout the United States.

An article appeared in the Fort Worth Star Telegram, Fort Worth, Texas, dated November 15, 1961, quoting a JACK ARMSTRONG, 38 year old cattle rancher, who called a meeting of the Fort Worth NIC to meet at 7:30 P.M., Saturday, November 18, 1961, and Sunday, November 19, 1961, at the Will Rogers Auditorium.

An article appeared in the Dallas Times Herald dated November 15, 1961, quoting U. S. Attorney General ROBERT F. KENNEDY, who condemned the John Birch Society and the NIC, saying such groups represent a tremendous danger to this country.

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### *'UNDERMINE' GOVERNMENT*

### Attorney General Raps NIC, Birch

By MIKE QUINN

U.S. Atty. Gen. Robert F. Kennedy minced no words Wednesday in blasting the John Birch Society, the National Indignation Conven- has real credentials as a Comtion and other right-wing groups. He said their actions "undermine" our form of government.

As NIC supporters circled the communism." Sheraton-Dallas Hotel with a 6-kar Kennedy said the Communist meeting in the building:

those who are defeatists and who States is espionage by "Iron Curwould rather be 'Red than dead.' tain bloc agents.'

those who, in the name of fighting can do about this," he added. communism, sow seeds of sus- Rennedy then turned his attenpicion and distrust by making tion to the editors at hand. false or irresponsible charges, not "As newspaper editors you have only against their neighbors, but a special responsibility not to be aginst courageous teachers and hoodwinked or stampeded by the public officials and against the fearful Americans of our time. foundations of our government-I challenge you to send your re-Congress, the Supreme Court and porters out to dig into the aceven the presidency itself."

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been looking for Communistry Kennedy chided, "and found only one-President Eisenhower."

Then Kennedy said, "As a vigilant, experienced American who Communist hands and hinder rather than aid, the fight agains

picket, the youthful cabinet mem-party is weak in the United States ber told the Associated Press because the American people Managing Editors Association have rejected it. He said that although communism and Communists must be watched closely, "I have no sympathy withithe biggest problem in the United

"Nor do I have sympathy with; "There's nothing the vigilances

tivities of the Communist party The NIC picket line was pro- in your areas and learn the

The man who managed his pilots at Perrin Air Force Base brother's move into the White House pointed out that the dead-In a press conference, and later line for Communist party regisin his speech, Kennedy was asked tration is Monday. He promised about the NIC. The attorney gen-that Department of Justice agents eral brought up the John Birch would be out in full force excher gerting registrations or slapping The John Birch Society has \$10,000 fines on Reds.

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Let's Catt Russia's Bluff At Miami

By WILLIAM TUCKER

Some 5,000 South Floridians seemed in the mood today to call the Soviet bluff now and repudiate the Kennedy Administration's efforts to settle the cold war at the conference table.

A crowd of that size roared approval in the Miami Beach Convention Hall last night as speakers for the National Indignation Convention called for direct action.

The convention is a right-wing movement, with the late Sen. Joseph McCarthy and censured Gen. Edwin Walker as its heroes. It sprang into being last month after one of its leaders, Air National Guard Maj. Harry Knickerbocker, spotted pilots from Communist Yugoslavia training at a Texas Air Force base.

The Rev. A. C. Janey, Miami Baptist minister who presided. wirned that if anyone objected to the program he should do so ile a "gentleman."

But there was no heckling and the only picketing was in favor of the meeting, by the Florida States' Party which had two placards outside.

The loudest cheers went up when Rep. Gorden Scherer (Rphio), ranking GOP member of the House Un-American Activiies Committee, demanded that the Russians be stopped now.

. "Their's is a salami-type aggression - slice by slice," Scherer said. "The only way to stop them is to call their bluff."

Scherer said the Russians would not begin an all-out-nuclear var and "risk destruction of their cities when they have come o far by indirect subversion."

He said the Kennedy Administration is full of men who suit on communism" and American colleges are cilli-

ered with phony sophisticates who oppose ROTC and demonstrate for Fidel Castro."

Robert Winston, Navy World War II flier who wrote "The entagon Case," an account of alleged Red influences in the efense Department, said that if a nuclear bomb is dropped ami will get it — straight from Havana.

He said a single tactical A-bomb carried by a fighter plane uld wipe out Miami International Airport or Homestead Air rce Base.

Kent Courtney, a Louisiana publisher and commentator said the Supreme Court should be "cited for contempt of Congress" for its rulings toward the left. . . .

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No indignation movement would be necessary, he <u>added</u>, were not congressmen who have been voting foreign aid for years and "for we the people who keep sending them back."

Knickerbocker, the 34-year-old Dallas businessman who arted the movement, said reservists being called to active ity wouldn't mind it 'if they thought their leaders would let em win."

Hundreds signed petitions in the lobby to send home pilots from Red-bloc countries who are training in the U.S. and to remove the State Department officials responsible for their coming here.

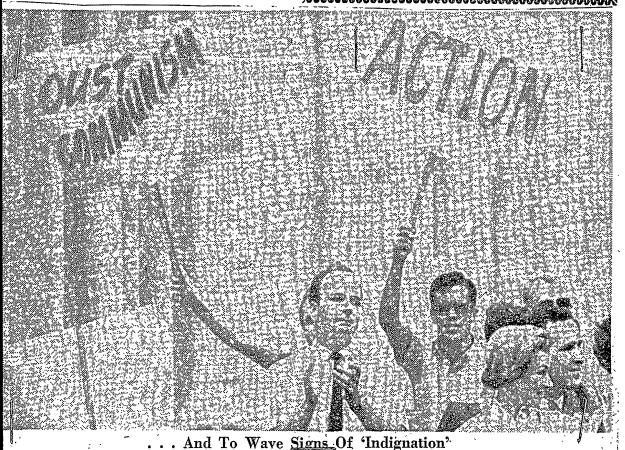
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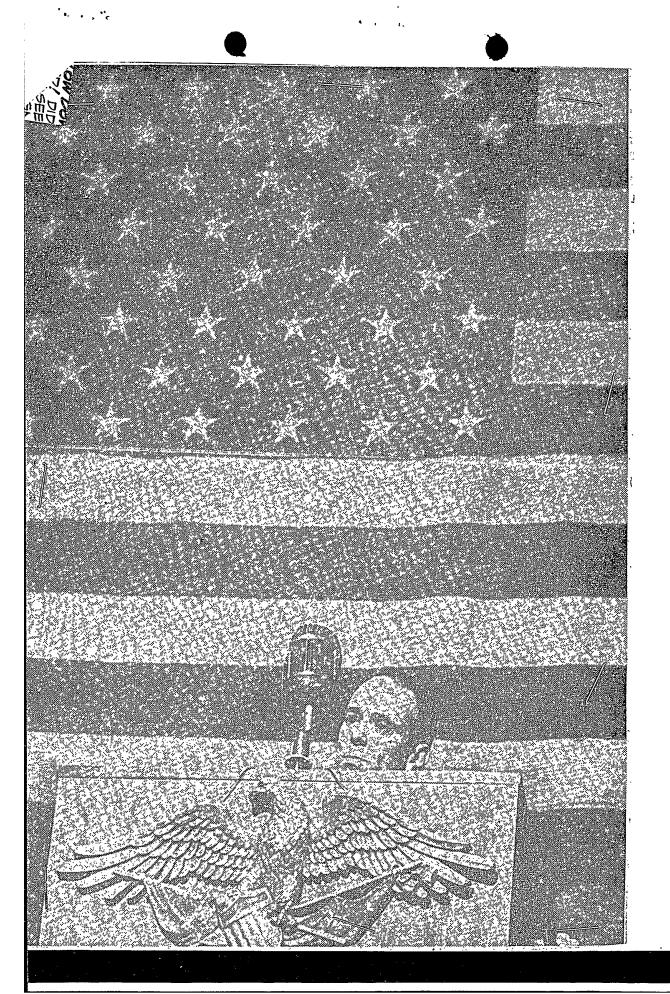
He called a roll of anti-Communist-heroes that included Gen. Raphael Trujillo, Anjonio Salazar of Portugal, Francisco Franco and Juan Peron.

He called Trujillo a martyr to the cause and thus last audience.

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They Came To Listen . . .



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Major H. C. Knickerbocker Wants To End Aid To Yugoslavs



Frank McGehee, Convention Leader



Kent Courtney, Anti-Red Lecturer

### by Way of Yngoslavia

### U.S. Planes Reaching Fidel, Protesters Say

Charges that American jets via and the training here of its pilots and mechanics. old to Yugoslavia actually are eing unloaded in Cuba will d to draw 10,000 persons.

merica and one of the speakrs at the 7 p.m. meeting in Iiami Beach Convention Hall, aid he would ask for a conressional investigation of the eported off-loading.

The convention, now active 1 30 states, protests the trainng of Yugoslav pilots at Perine and Lowry Air Force Base t Denver; the sale of 135 jet ghters to Yugoslavia since anuary; the sale of 70 Navy V2 aircraft to the same couny and the sending of \$2.28 illion in loan and aid grants o Yugoslavia.

ng meetings throughout the protest the sale of jet air- made possible the sending of traft to Communist Yugosla- jets to Communist Yugoslavia."

Featured speakers tonight e aired tonight at a National will include H. C. Knickerbockndignation Convention expect- er of Dallas, an Air Force red to draw 10,000 persons.

Kent Courtney, chairman of public the pilot training at Perne Conservative Society of rine Air Force Base in Sherman, Tex.

Others are Dallas business

man Frank Mc-Gehee, who or-ganized the first indignation meeting Oct. 16; Gordon scherer, Ohio congressman and member of the House

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Courtney said he would use a The convention, now hold- portion of his speaking time to cite Florida congressmen who United States, is designed to voted for foreign aid "which

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Anti-Red Rally Fii. In Pitt PITTBURGH; PA. A. local chapters of a national committee to "Halt Aid to Communist Countries" will hold-an-indignation meeting at Carnegië Lecture Hall, Pittsburgh Friday starting at 8.15 p. m. The spoup's ire will be directed particularly against the training of Yugoslav pilots here and and the sale of jet planes to Tito, Mrs. Leo Sheran public relations directors public relations director, told the "Srbobran". Mrs. Sheran, who visited the "Srbobran" Monday, said her group was formed as an offshoot of the national organization originated in Texas with publinated in Texas with pupilication of a letter written by Major H. C. Knickegs bocker to Senator. John Tower protesting the training of Titols pilots.

Robert L. Fergus In. Pitts burgh businessman, heads the local chapter.

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MacArthur is tentatively listed to speak for the local group's meet

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Threefold Anti-Red Crusade I by Indignation Group

By JOHN UNDERWOOD Herald Staff Writer

Seven thousand South Floridians reacted to the call of the National Indignation Convention Tuesday night at Miami Beach Convention Hall and were challenged to join actively in a threefold crusade to bring about:

1. Expulsion of Communist military men training in the United States—principally the Yugoslav pilots now learning to fly U.S. jets in Texas.

2. Immediate cancellation of hilitary equipment shipments to Communisticountries.

3. Ferreting out and removing from office the State Department officials responsible for allowing the training of Communist troops on U.S. soil.

The large crowd did not match the predicted 10,000 but its applause was eager and often and its attention rapt.

There were no untoward incidents. The indignants on the platform, framed against a backdrop of a huge American flag, voiced their indignation in studied tones.

There was one sign which read: "Tito Never Had A

Father." Most signs, however, declared only the origin of the 

witness account of the Yugoslav pilots' training at Perrin Air Force Base in Texas from Maj H. C. Knickerbocker of Dallas, a member of the Air

National Guard still active 411. He said, "we not only adwocate, we demand an end to the aid to the Yugoslavs." He said that country's declaration in the words of Marsial. Pito—is clear: "In peace and



H. C. Knickerbocker saw training

in war, Yugoslavia muşt march shoulder to shoulder with the Soviet Union."

He said the Perrin training "gave us a heaven sent opportunity" to wake up to responsibility.

bility. Knickerbocker was followed by author-lecturer Robert Winston, of New York, who reminded Miamians of the threat of communism lying so close in the form of Castro's

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"We are now in a death grip of an enemy the like of which for debasement and inhumanity the world has never before experienced," he said.

He said this was no time for the "cynical segment which scoffed and scorned at patriotism" to be in command. He said the dilema was "our own fault-we have been so busy educating for life adjustment that we have for gotten to educate for survival we have in effect, taught by precept and example that it is better to be Red than



Gordon Scherer ... wants patriotism

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The right wing program was without one of the featured speakers, George Earle, former governor of Pennsylvania, who had to cancel out because of illness.

because of illness.

The crowd had lost many of its lesser enthusiasts when the final speaker, Kent Souriney, was called up. Couriney wrote the book, "The Case of General Edwin A. Walker," and Walker is one of the Convention heroes—he was reprimanded for his outspoken attacks on U.S. policy toward communism.

Also on the platform were Frankowicchee, a Dallas businessman who reorganized the first National Indignation

Also on the platform were Frankfylchee, a Dallas businessman who reorganized the first N a tion a 1 Indignation Convention in October; Ralph Milone, an 18-year-old North Miami boy speaking up for the youth of the area, and Richard Shaddick, whose son, Lt. John Phillip Shaddick Jr. is a veteran of the Korean War and still a prisoner in Feditina.

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DALLAS, TEX.-- THE NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION WILL HOLD THREE NIGHT RALLIES THIS WEEK IN DALLAS TO PROTEST THE TRAINING OF YUGOSLAV PILOTS IN THIS COUNTRY AND THE SALE OF AIRPLANES TO MARSHAL TITO'S GOVERNMENT.

THE MEETINGS ARE SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY.

SPEAKERS FOR THE RALLIES, TO BE HELD IN THE DALLAS MEMORIAL

AUDITORIUM, INCLUDE WILLIAM A. RUSHER OF CHICAGO, ILL., PUBLISHER

OF THE NATIONAL REVIEW MAGAZINE; CHARLES TANSILL OF HYATTSVILLE,

MD., TECHNICAL ADVISOR TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS

COMMITT; AND DR. REVILO P. OLIVER, PROFESSOR OF CLASSICS AT THE

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINGIS.

RUSHER, WHO SERVED AS AN ASSISTANT COUNSEL WITH THE U.S. SENATE'S INTERNAL SECURITY SUBCOMMITTEE, WILL SPEAK AT THE FIRST RALLY ON NOV. 22. TANSILL, A NATIVE TEXAN AND AN AUTHOR, WILL SPEAK THE FOLLOWING NIGHT.

OLIVER IS SCHEDULED TO SPEAK AT THE LAST MEETING ON NOV. 24. 11/19--TD557PES

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# When Indignation Overflows

The right of Americans to be indignant is older than the Boston Tea Party, and no one could criticize the group of South Floridians which met this week at the Miami Beach Convention Hall for exercising that right.

It isn't hard to work up a good case of indignation over the fact that our government is training jet pilots for Yugoslav Marshal Tito at a Texas Air Force base. In retrospect, the calculated risk in granting military aid to the Communist Tito may prove to have been a poor bet. In fact, President Kennedy had initiated a reevaluation of our aid to Yugoslavia and Poland before the jet pilot case became an issue.

As a governmental decision, made incidentally under an earlier administration, this is fair game for criticism, or indignation, if you please.

But somewhere along the line the meeting left the broad road of criticism and turned the corner toward accusation and smear. We refer specifically to the remarks of the Republican congressman, a member of the House Un-American Activities Committee, who said the Kennedy Administration is full of men who are "soft on Communism." And the Louisiana publisher who wants the Supreme Court cited for "contempt of Congress."

Haven't we been warned enough by responsible Communist fighters to beware of those who try to weaken our faith in this country's basic institutions?

Where all this can lead was pathetically demonstrated in the speech of an 18-year-old North Miami youth whose anti-Communist heroes include dictators Antonio Salazar of Portugal, Francisco Franco, Juan Peron and the late Raphael Trujillo. This youth may know his anti-communism, but what does he know of Americanism?

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Dear

Your letter of November 14, 1961, has been received, and the interest which prompted you to write ig appreciated.

Although I would like to be of service, the jurisdiction and responsibilities of the FBI, strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government, do not extend to furnishing evaluations or comments concerning the character or integrity of any individual, organization or publication. In addition, information in FBI files must be maintained as confidential through a regulation of the Department of Justice. Please do not infer either that we do or do not have data in our files relative to the subject of your inquiry.

Enclosed is some material on communism which may be of assistance to you. You may also wish to consider my book, "Masters of Deceit," which relates the story of communism in America and how to fight it.

Sincerely yours

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover Director ·

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What You Can Do To Fight Communism
Internal Security statement 4-17-61
The Communist Party, USA (9-61 "Social Order")
"Faith in God--Our Answer To Communism"
The Communist Party Line

F B I Washington D.C.

November 14, 1961

Dear Sir:

I have a petition from the "National Indignation Convention, Room 307, Miami Colonial Hotel, Biscayne Blvd,.
Miami, Florida that reads as follows:

We, the undersigned Americans, do petition the Government of the United States of America to:

- 1. Remove from our land any members of the military of any Communist countries that are receiving training, or plan to receive training, from the government of the United States of America.
- 2. Immediately cancel any contract to any Communist country for the sale of any military equipment (current or obsolete) or material that might be converted to, or made into weapons of war.
- 3. Determine who in the Department of Atate of the United States of America is responsibile for the current training of Communist military personnel.
- 4. Once these persons are made known, let them be removed from their offices along with any and all persons associated with them might also bear any responsibility for such acts.

Secure as many names as possible and mail to the address below before November 14th

Name

Street Address

City & State.

This petition was passed to me about one week ago. I referred to my Congressman and he did not encourage to sign it.

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There are so many people that will sign a petition and know nothing of its originality. Some can Communist inspired and others could be one the level.

I for one want to know the back ground of such an organization, before signing. Would be interested in your comments.

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INFORMATION CONTAINEU HEREW IS UNCLASSIFIED Florida Dear I have received your letter of November 16 and appreciate your interest in writing. With regard to your discussion, I have stressed repeatedly that it is vital that each of us gain a broad knowledge of the origin, lains and methods of the communist conspiracy so that we may intelligently comprehend the danger it presents. While the menace of communism Is serious, I also strongly feel that it is necessary for us to confront this threat in a calm, realistic, rational and law-abiding manner. The label of "communist" is too often indiscriminately attached to those whose views differ from the majority. Those whose lives are not lived according to what one segment of society might decree the "norm" are too frequently challenged as "Reds." If we are to effectively resist the eroding influence of communism, it is imperative that all citizens of this Nation try to exhibit in more positive ways the value and superiority of our form of government over any foreign ideology. The subversive knows well the value of fully exploiting such controversial subjects as civil rights, academic freedom and so-called peace issues, and we must guard against being duped into irrational attacks on democratic institutions and officials of government. We should never hesitate, when fully informed that communist influence threatens, to voice our convictions with courage. This opposition must, however, be careful, constructive and positive, and it must be kept within the due process of law. I am confident you will agree this is fundamental to liberty. In view of your concern, enclosed is some material I thought you might like to read. Sincerely yours

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### TRUE COPY

Nov. 16, 1961

J. Edger Hoover Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington D. C.,

Dear Sir,

I write to you as am unhappy, distirred. American, who feels that you are the only one to go to for the truth.

My husband and I belong to an Anti-Communism study group made up mostly from people from our Church, The Perrine-Peters Methodist Church, Miami Fla. We have listened mostly to tapes secured from Dr. Fred C. Schwarz's Anti-Communism Crusade.

My husband and I attended, along with Seven (7) thousand other people. The National Indignation Convention that took place in Miami Beach Nov. 14, 1961. We have signed a petition to recall a Dade County School board member because of his connections with what we consider Communist infiterated organizations.

Now, Sir, will you please tell me if these are the wrong. things for real Americans to do? Above all, we want to do what is right for our country and if it is your opinion that we are becoming witch hunters by showing our indignation about our money and planes going to Yugoslavia and the trainning of Communist fliers in our country; if in your opion we are wrong to try to be informed by reading "Masters of Deceit" etc; by listening to tapes by Dr. Schwarz, Herbert Philbrick, Rechael Avens etc. Please Sir tell us what We can best do to insure the security of our country.

There are many, many peope in our Community who will be anxious to hear your answer.

I am enclosing clippings from the Miami Herald of Nov. 15, Nov 16, 1961. These are the type of articles that have us so confused.

Sincerely, P.S. I intend to abide by your suggestions & make public to all & Miami 57, Fla. I know, your views.

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# Right-Wing Units Seen Peril to U.S.

# Robert Kennedy Speaks Out

Johnson Also Speaks . . 2A

DALLAS — (UPI) — Attorney General Robert Kennedy said Wednesday he has no sympathy with right wing groups, defeatists and those who would rather be "Red than dead."

Kennedy blasted the John Birch Society, the National Indignation Convention and other right-wing organizations as "a tremendous danger" to the United States.

He told a press conference that such groups are doing nothing to combat the principal, danger of communism. Kennedy said espionage by Iron Curtain country diplomats in the United States is the major threat, not the Communist Party.

"There is a tremendous danger in any group that seeks to undermine confidence in our government." The only Communist the John Birchers have uncovered," he added jokingly, "is President Eisenhower."

In a speech to a meeting of Associated Press Managing Editors, Kennedy said her has "no sympathy with those who are defeatists and who would rather be 'Red than' dead.'"

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"Nor do I have any sympathy with those, who in the name of fighting communism, sow the seeds of suspicion and distrust by making false or irresponse ble charges, not only against their neighbors but against courageous teachers and public officials and against the foundations of our government. Congress, the Suprème Court and even the presidency itself," Kennedy said.

Kennedy later said, "We are going to have lunatics, but I can't believe they will have any following.

"As a vigilant, experienced American who has real credentials as a Communist fighter— J. Edgar Hoover— has said, such actions play into Communist hands and hinder, rather than aid, the fight against communism," Kennedy told the editors.

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# Left Wingers, Do-Gooders' Blasted by Rickenbacker

City Not Dead .... 14A | a handful of bandits as the

By STEPHEN TRUMBULL Herald Staff Writer

Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker, who gunned 26 enemies out of the sky in World War I, turned as scathing a fire here Tues-day on "left

wingers, dogooders and fair-dealers."

He lambasted the "intellectual delinquents in Washington."

He charged that the "flaming liberals" have dictated . State Department policy "since 28

lawful government of Russia."

Re-emphasizing remarks he has made in the past, he sprayed his verbal fire over the foreign aid programs and the centralizing of government, then focused on the income tax situation — and flatly urged the next Congress to repeal Sixteenth Amendment which made the tax possible.

How would he operate the government without this tax?

"The answer is simple," he said. "Take government out of competition with private enterprise and eliminate the billions of expenditures going years ago when we recognized down a rat hole annually.

He spoke at the dinner of the National Institute of Farm Brokers, meeting at the Fontainebleau Hotel on Miami Beach in conjunction with the National Association of Real Estate Boards convention. The topic "Conservatism Must Face Up to Liberalism."

The old-time fighting ace is the organizer and chairman of the board of Eastern Air Lines.

He began with a defense of Maj. Gen. Edwin Walker and a castigation of "the censors who prevent our military commanders from instructing our fighting men how to deal with the most vicious enemy this land ever has faced."

He predicted that "some day American people will erect a monument to the memory of the late Sen. Joe McCarthy for awakening the people of this nation to a danger that now is here."

He tossed out this barb:

"Still being a free man for how long I do not know - my remarks tonight have not been censored or approved by the office boy through

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-Herald Staff Photos by BOB EAST

Miami Beach Convention Hall Crowded with 7,000 ... speakers called for awareness of dangers facing America

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of our Country Community who will be arrived to hear your answer, I am enclosing chipping from the money Herald of nov, 15, nov 16, 1966 these me the type of motives that have us so Confused Sincerely, miemi 67, Dla. P.S. Intend to abide by your suggestions + make publice to all I know, your views

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INFORMATION CONCERNING INTERNAL SECURITY

Enclosed to the Bureau are five copies of a letterhead memorandum and ten copies of articles appearing in the Dallas and Fort Worth newspapers concerning captioned organization.

For the information of Washington Field Office, the National Indignation Convention was formed in Dallas, Texas, on October 14, 1961, at a rally attended by 300 individuals at the Dallas Auditorium. The meeting was led by FRANK B. MC GENEE, a Dallas garage owner and self-admitted member of the JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY. The meeting was mainly in protest against Yugoslav pilots training at Perrin Air Force Base. Following the disappointing crowd at the Saturday night meeting of this convention, 1200 individuals met on Sunday, 10/15/61, and on 10/16/61, an estimated crowd of 2500 persons was present. Among the speakers were Major HARRY KNICKERBOCKER, the Air National Guard Pilot who originally made the complaint concerning the Yugoslav airmen, Major General HARRY CRUTCHER, head of the Texas Air National Guard, and DAN SMOOT, former FBI Agent. This group plans to meet in Washington, D.C., when Congress reconvenes 1/10/62.

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### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas December 1, 1961

### NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION

An article appeared in the Fort Worth Star Telegram, a daily Fort Worth newspaper, November 19, 1961, which stated a crowd, estimated by the police to be about 250 individuals, attended a meeting of the National Indignation Convention (NIC) at the Will Rogers Memorial Auditorium, Fort Worth. The Chairman of the Fort Worth meeting was JACK ARMSTRONG, Parker County Rancher. FRANK MC GEHEE of Dallas, NIC Chairman, also spoke. A second meeting of the NIC was held in Fort Worth on November 20, 1961, attended by an estimated crowd of 350 individuals.

An article appeared in the Dallas Morning News dated November 24, 1961, stating that a three day session of the NIC was held in Dallas on November 22, 1961, through November 24, 1961. NIC officials had confidentially expected between 7500 and 10,000 delegates from across the country to converge upon Dallas to protest the training of communist airmen in the United States and the sale of U. S. armaments to communist nations. Officials of the Dallas Auditorium estimated the attendance on November 22, 1961, at 1800 although 3000 were claimed by NIC officials. Attendance of 1200 was estimated on November 23 and November 24, 1961, by auditorium officials and NIC officials again estimated 3000 each. MC GEHEE claimed about 25 states and 80 cities were represented at the three day session of the NIC. At these meetings the various speakers condemned the present policy of selling planes to communist nations . and training communist pilots in the United States and called upon the government to remove those officers responsible. Delegates to the NIC Convention voted to keep their ire officially alive by staging a third session in Washington, D.C., after Congress convenes January 10, 1962. FRANK MC GEHEE, Chairman of the NIC, felt that Washington, D.C., was the only place to have the next meeting.

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## N.Y. Publisher Rips Administration

By MIKE QUINN

President Kennedy, blasted aid to communism." special telephone hookup, and the famed aviator declared: Tito, praised Gen. Edwin Walker Wednesday night's opening session. Angeles.

William & Rusher, publisher of He called on Kennedy to resist as the peons." the National Review magazine, aid to Yugoslavia, and to do somewas the main speaker before a thing about Laos and South Viet-Wednesday by delegates from 29 Dallas Memorial Auditorium crowd nam. He also suggested that Ken-different states, will continue of 1,800 - the estimate from a nedy might turn to matters closer through Friday. Bucket collections spokesman of the building superin- to home, "especially the islands totaled \$2,666. tendent's office.

It was far from the 7,500 exto 300 by the loss of a cipher."

Rusher, in finger-and-fist shaking manager, needled Kennedy's ovation after Rusher praised the administration about attacks on retired officer for continuing his the right wing, then took after civilian fight on communism. The Kennedy himself.

worrying about right-wing extre-ficials.

mists in the U.S. and turn some A New York publisher took after of his polished oratory to the cause Rickenbacker in New York by a

He noted that the President was and the National Indignation Con-picketed by 2,000 "rightists" when Roosevelt. We are going to become vention roared approval here in he spoke last Friday at Los bankrupt and get a socialistic dic-

of the Caribbean."

"I might say to Mr. Kennedy, pected earlier by NIC officials, turn against the Communist menbut executive committeeman Sid ace that is pressing against this Latham declared, "I'm looking at country some of the toughness three thousand people, and I don't you turned on Mr. (Ted) Dealey of want to see that figure dwindled Dallas when he told you what a lot of Americans are thinking.'

Gen. Walker also received an publisher also took the cue to blast "I suggest Mr. Kennedy stop the "muzzling" of military of-

The convention talked to Eddie

"What we need is another Teddy tator. Then we will find ourselves

The convention,

> "The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas 11-23-61

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### Indignation Group Invited To Attend Session at

About 350 people who attended of the NIC, presented the invitathe National Indignation Conven- tion. tion here Sunday night were invited to Dallas for a national from the meeting's guest speaker gathering of the group Wednesday through Saturday.

Mgj. Harry Knickerbocker of Dall s, Air National Guard-fighter plot whose disclosure that the U. S is training Yugoslav pilots and selling military aircraft to Yugoslavia resulted in founding

Government officials drew fire also spoke. for labeling protest groups such as the NIC "right-wing extremation as the NIC "right-wing extremation a chance to bid on a construction

ist" movements.

Capt. Robert A. Winston of
Westchester County, N. Y., retired Navy officer and author, told the crowd at the organization's second and final Fort Worth meeting that Attorney General Robert Kennedy is "ei- introduced the speakers. ther wittingly, or unwittingly' following the Communist Party line in denouncing the protest groups.

Winston held up a copy of the Communist Daily Worker in which he said the term "right-wing extremists" first appeared.

He said a recent Gallup poll indicated that conservatives are now in the majority in the country.

Jack Muff of Houston, manager of Applinson Fitting Company,

Muff was invited because his a chance to bid on a construction project after it was learned that the work was to be in Yugoslavia.

Jack Armstrong of Azle, who owns ranches and other business interests in Texas and Oklahoma,

> "Fort Worth Star Telegram" . Fort Worth, Texas, John Ellis, Editor 11-20-61 Submitted by Dallas Office

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Indignant Americans from and he referred to us as lunaacross the nation are expected to tics" swell the ranks of the National Atty. Gen. Kennedy criticized Indignation Convention here the group last week when he Thursday night as the anti-Red came to Dallas to address the organization marches into the Associated Press Managing Edisecond night of its new sessions to seconference.

Frank McGehee, chairman of he expects Thursday night's turnout to eclipse anything the convention has known to date.

A crowd estimated from 1,800 to sponsors' claims of 3,000 converged on Dallas Memorial Auditorium Wednesday night for the opening sessions of the reconvened convention.

#### "GONE UPTOWN"

"We've gotten uptown since we started back in October," Sidney Latham, Dallas attorney and America about what is happening master of ceremonies for the con- to this country . . . the adminisvention, told the cheering delegates. "We've been visited by 'Little Brother' (Robert Kennedy)

the evening's principal address, the Dallas born movement, said was delivered by William Rush er, publisher of the National Review and a former associate counselor with the U.S. Senate Internal Security subcommittee.

> "There is plenty to be indignant about," the New York publisher said in an attack on the Kennedy administration and the United Nations.

### GROWING CONCERN

"There is a growing concern in

"The Dallas Times Herald" Dallas, Texas 11-23-61 Felix R. McKnight. Executive Editor Submitted by Dallas Office

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WILLIAM RUSHER

"We Are on the March" ration knows we are on march," he said.

He said President Kennedy enbacker how he stood on the voice of the American people," he hould stop worrying so much three-point resolution. should stop worrying so much three-point resolution.

about what he terms "right wing "I concur wholeheartedly," he begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Dallas begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Dallas should stop worrying so much three-point resolution. extremists" and begin turning his replied.

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"MORAL DEEPFREEZE"

caught in the "moral deepfreeze" rin, spoke briefly to the conventualities. Birmingham, Stanford, imposed by those countries. tion Wednesday night. Conn., and Portland, Ore imposed by those countries.

Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker, American air ace in World War 🕻 , and Kansas Congressman W. L McVey drew thunderous applause and cheers in telephone remarks boomed over the public address system to the gathering.

Capt. Rickenbacker, now an Eastern Airlines executive, speaking from New York, said he was 'delighted'' at the response the Dallas-born indignation group walf generating over the training of have no monopoly on being indig-Red pilots at Perrin Air Force nant about the training of Yugo-Base at Sherman.

At its October convention the he told the conventions NIC adopted a three-point resolutries, and the firing of all persons Force Base. responsible for such training and "The National Indignation Conjet plane sales.

Viet Nam and the rise of com-home in Independence, Kan., said Tansill, university professor, and munism in Latin America. American people should realize former technical, advisor to the Mr. Rusher also attacked the that this nation is now gripped in U.S. Senate Committee on Forgovernment's crackdown on mili- war with Russia and her satellites. eign Relations, will deliver the tary and naval officers for mak- He said that he thinks everyone principal address ing speeches against the Reds. in this nation who loves America A number of staff meetings for "What America needs," he de- should unite to protest the train- out-of-state delegates will be held clared, "is a hard as nails policy ing of Red pilots in the United during the day at the Baker Hotel." States.

He said in the past year that las insurance man and National tion included Omaha, Los Angeles, the United Nations has fallen into Guard jet pilot whose letter to Memphis, Miami, New York, Hal

"I've been told that Texans slav pilots in the United States,"

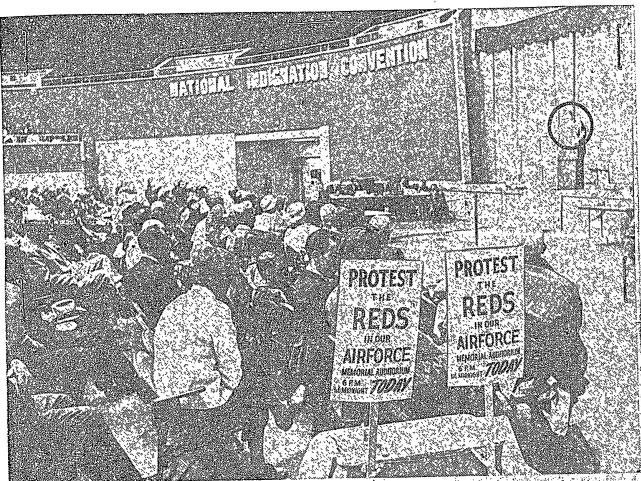
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tion advocating immediate return Maj. Knickerbocker has just of all "enemies" in training at completed a tour of some of the U.S. bases, the end of the sale nation's larger cities speaking on of jet fighters to Communist coun- what was happening at Perrin Air

vention is just not a gathering RICKENBACKER AGREES a here in Texas. It is not just a Nr. Latham asked Capt. Rick voice in the wilderness. It is the

oratory on such matters as Laos, Rep. McVey, reached at his Memorial Auditorium Dr. Charles

A partial list of cities represent Maj. Harry Knickerbocker, Dal-ed at Wednesday night's conventhe hands of the Afro-Asian bloc Sen. John Tower set off the furor timore, Phoenix, Chicago, Ollas neutral nations and now is over the Yugoslav pilots at Per-homa City, Denver, Wichita Mil-



## PROTEST GROUP MEETS

Delegates to the National Indignation Convention meet for the first of a series of three meetings in Dallas Wednesday night. They are protesting the training of Communist Yugoslav pilots at Perra

Air Force Base. A spokesman for the group said delegations from 120 cities in more than 40 states attended the Wednesday, night rally in Dallas Memorial Auditorium. UPI Telephoto.

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## NIC Effort Praised by Doctors

Thursday to call still a third session of the organization. It will. be held in Washington soon after Congress reconvenes Jan. 10

Frank McGehee of Dallis, chairman of the NIC, said delegates felt the capital "was the only place for the gathering. The

A pair of California doctors as well as the current meeting. here for the National Indignation was held in Dallas Memorial Convention, Friday lauded the Auditorium. movement as a highly effective Another of the delegates who vehicle for criticizing Washing traveled far to attend the current

yehicle for criticizing Washing-session is William Bowman of Milwaukee, Wis. He led the pledde "We're unhappy and indignant of allegiance to the flag da on foreign aid to Communist the convention's opening night

countries," said Dr. Robert L Wednesday.

Trace of Newport, Calif. "As a For the last 16 years I have local group back in Newport, we seen the position of this country were going to be ineffective. We deteriorate and I'm concerned badly need a national movement about the encroachment of communism," he said. "I have six

Dr. B. M. Tully joined with Dr. children and I have to fight some-Trace in expressing hope that time. Yet it's a fight that must "we will keep growing and when be carried on on an individual Congress reconvenes they will be basis. That's why I'm here."

proced to change the policy of McGehee said 25 states and preign aid to Communist coun-some 80 cities were represented at the current NIC session that

Delegates to the NIC voted ended Friday evening.

"The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas Jack B. Krueger, Managing Editor Dick West, Editoral Editor Submittee by Dallas Office

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# NIC Sets Meeting n Nation's Capital

again in Washington after Con-away step by step while not regress comes back in session.

Some 1,200 attending the NIC ral-it." ly Thursday night approved the Dr. Tansill, like others who plan, according to The Associated have addressed the NIC, spoke Press.

The current series of three ral-ers. lies has fallen far short of the expelitations of the protest leaders. While chairman Frank McGelee moved in on us? It all goes back had predicted attendance of 7,500 to President Roosevelt and his to 10,000 per night, estimates successor, President Truman—a a Wednesday and Thursday were period of 20 years of treason," he 1,800, and 1,200 by auditorium of was reported as saying ficials and 3,000 each night by NIC leaders.

ing night speaker. /=>

#### CONDEMNS AID

Delegates cheered as the history condemning all foreign aid.

Mr. McGehee said the next gathering, of unspecified length, would "boring in." be held in the nation's capital, the

The National Indignation Convention will close its current sent publication, "Freedom from the ries of meetings Friday night at Want," is "treasonous" because it would "give our military forces quiring the Communists to match

bitterly of various national lead-

#### YEARS OF TREASON?

Referring to the late Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R-Wis), Dr. Tan-Dr. Charles G Tansill of sil declared: "Here's a man who Georgetown University in Wash tried to expose the danger of comington, D.C., was the Thanksgiv- munism-and they squeezed him almost to the grave for his trouble."

The Georgetown professor said professor called for a resolution former Rep. Martin Dies (D-Tex) warned Roosevelt before World War II that the Communists were

"Then Stalin persuaded FDR to 'only place to have it," after Conget the United States into a war gress reconvenes in January. that broke the very nations that Dr. Tansill, in his talk Thiese were holding back the Red tide." said, identifying those nations as Germany and Japan.

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"Why have the Communists" The Dallas Times Herald" Dallas, Texas 11-24-61 Felix R. McKnight. Executive Editor Submitted by Dallas Office

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# NIC Raises \$6,183 In 3-Night Session

Coffers of the National Indig-Beyers estimated the convention action Convention (NIC) were tron will require \$7,000 a month enriched by \$6,183 during its session that ended here Friday.

James A. Beyers, NIC treasurer, told The Dallas News Saturday until the Washington meeting that the money came from opens. bucket collections during the convention's three evening gatherings at Dallas Memorial Auditorium.

The donations were \$2,666 the handed in Friday night. first night, \$1,300 the second and \$2,217 the third, he said.

Since its organization in mid-\$22,448. It raised \$16,265 between Oct. 16 and Nov. 20.

But only some \$2,100 of the original funds remained after paying expenses for the meet closed that only 72 replied per-

the \$6,183 raised last week, giv- 6 requested statements of their ing the convention total current attitude toward the convention's assets of some \$8,300.

nest egg from which the NIC the U.S., an end to sale of furwill operate as it moves toward ther U.S. armaments to Yugoits third session in Washington slavia and removal of "those ofsome after Congress reconvenes ficials responsible" for training and business deals already

"to make this a continuing movement."

On that basis, another \$5,700 will be required to keep it going

Officials expressed confidence, however, that the necessary funds will be forthcoming.

Several checks for amounts ranging from \$100 to \$150 were

Dallas conservative Ed Schwille re-emphasized that the NIC is not subsidized by any organization or political group, but derives its Odtober, Beyers said the NIC funds entirely from the voluntary had received contributions of contributions of those who sub-

scribe to its goals.

A final look at returns from the NIC's poll of 603 state and national political figures 'dissonally.

Beyers said it will be added to Registered letters to each Nov. three basic resolutions: An end That will serve as the major to training Yugoslav airmen in transacted.

"The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas 11-26-61 Jack B. Krueger, Managing Editor Dick West, Editoral Editor Submittec by Dallas Office

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# Pelegates to N10 Plan Washington ession in January

By FRANK HILDEBRAND

place to have it."

Friday evening. Both it and the initial NIC gathering late in October were held in Dallas Memorial Auditorium.

And estimated 1,200 delegates at Thursday night's meeting hear?

Thursday night's meeting heard a almost to the grave for his sharp distinction drawn between trouble!" liais and traitors on the one hand The professor lauded former and patriots on the other.

Dr. Charles C. Tansill, professor munists were "boring in." of American history at George- "Then Stalin persuaded town University in Washington, get the United States into a war branded a recent State Depart-that broke the very nations that ment pamphlet; "Freedom From were holding back the Red tide Want," actually a "Blueprint for Treason."

The 46-year classroom veteran said its basic fault is that it suggests unilateral disarmament "it gives our military forces away step by step while not requiring the Communists to match it."

Standing applause and shouts of approval greeted Dr. Tansill's suggestion that the NIC pass a resolution against all foreign aid. "We must plug up what has been but that flag down!" <u>85-mil</u>lion-dollar Operation Rat Hole'," he urged.

Turning to political figures Delegates to the National In-Farying stature, the speaker dignation Convention voted here dignation Convention voted here. Thursday to keep their ire officially alive by staging still a third session, this time in Washington, I Frank McGehee of Dallas, charman of the group protesting quently, and hit President Kentaining of Communist pilots and the United States, said the NIC felt the capital "was the only place to have it."

moved in on us?" he asked. "It Sessions are expected to get all goes back to President Rooseunder way there after Congress velt and his successor, President reconvenes Jan. 10, he added.

The appearance of the same of

Texas Rep. Martin Dies for And it wasn't the Democrafs warning Roosevelt in the prewho got the patriot stickers. World War II era that the Com-

"Then Stalin persuaded FDR to (Germany and Japan)," he charged.

Turning to the South, the native Texan drew a picture of an America "built: by Southerners" from before the Revolution through the Mexican War: \" "

"That's why we feel most indignant today," he said. "It's because we have that pride of creation. And all the enemies from here to hell aren't going to

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# Disappointing Response Fails o Dampen Optimism of

ions here and lagging replies rom its congressional poll.

We'll get another convention convention." tarted and get even bigger."

pite of a current turnout little tions. ctober.

Attendance at Thursday eveigs are being held.

On the eve of the sessions, howver, NIC officials said confident-removal of either (Dwight D. is between \$14,000 and \$16,000. they expected between 7,500 nd 10,000 delegates from across he nation to converge upon Dalas to protest the training of Comnunist, airmen in the United tates and the sale of U.S. arnaments to Communist nations. Crowds ranged from 1,500 b 000 during the October meelgs-apparently about the sand s the current level:

McGehee said all members of

The National Indignation Con-Congress have been queried by Eisenhower and John F. Kenention apparently is far from the NIC regarding their attitudes nedy) by reason of this exercise ead, despite disappointing re-toward the issues that have raised of his judgment, even though it ponse to its current 3-day ses- "such a storm of indignation."

ered to reply.

ne states," NIC Chairman Frank . . . opinions are overwhelmingly orable, sincere and patriotic icGehee pledged on Thursday, in favor of the resolutions of the Americans." · 48.

The former Dallas garageman's and Republican congressmen have faction and draws financial supptimism remained undaunted in expressed approval of the resolu-port from neither major party.

Wright of Fort Worth.

Although he assured his opposi-Iemorial Auditorium where meet-arms, he discounted feasibility of —and one check for \$150. ousting "those responsible."

disagrees with mine and with But late Thursday 72 had both- your own," Wright said.

"Although disagreeing "We'll get in touch with repessentatives or people from all sponse as "extremely gratifying I regard both of them as flor-

> McGehee has emphasized that! He added that both Democratic the NIC is bound to no political

atter than that which graced the One of the replies released by come primarily from individuals Dallas, Texas tial NIC conclave here late in the NIC came from Rep. Jim and then usually in amounts of \$1 to \$5.

He said the NIC coffers were ing's session was estimated at tion to training Red pilots and enriched by "quite a few" \$10 200 by an official of the Dallas selling Communist nations U.S. and \$20 contributions Wednesslay

Bucket collections Wednesday "There is as provision for the amounted to \$2,666. NIC budget

Instead, he said contributions The Dallas Morning News" 11-24-61 Jack B. Krueger, Managing Editor Dick West, Editoral Editor Submittec by Dallas Office

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ınday, November 19, 1961

# Support for NIC Moveme Urged by Speaker at Rally

weekly newspaper.

The speaker was Mrs. Mary D. Cain of Summit, Miss. here to address a Fort Worthrally of the National Indignation Convention.

A crowd estimated by police at about 250 applauded her remarks anout 20 applauded her remarks and those of three other speakers in Wili Rogers Memorial Auditorium.

The rally will be continued in another session at 8 p. m. Sunday in the same auditorium.

"This is a small crowd here

An appeal for Americans to rally behind a movement to regain their lost freedoms in a nation "already up to its ears in communism"; was sounded here Saturday night by a plain-talking woman publisher of a Mississippi weekly newspaper. - Conlon described the NIC move-ment as "a fire that's going to burn right on to to Washington." - Mrs. Cain his hard at the ap-peasement policies practiced in

Washington, and warned that the United States soon will be completely encircled by Red influénce.

"I don't begrudge a cent being spent for honest defense, but the billions being poured into foreign . aid for Red-controlled countries and foreign bureaucrats soon will. bankrupt this country," Mrs. Cain

"Our own besetting sin in this country is greed—everybody has his hand out," she added.

Both Mrs. Cain and Conlon reiterated the stand taken by NIC against State Department approval for aid to Communist Yugoslavian pilots at Perrin Air Force Base,

and other aid given Yugoslavia.

Dr. Ma Rumph of Fort Worth introduced wirs Cain.

Petitions supporting resolutions asking that the Yugoslav pilots be returned to their country, that aid be stopped and that governmental officials responsible for the training of the pilots be removed from office were signed by many of those attending the rally.

Other speakers were Frank Mc-Gebee, of Dallas, NIC Chamman, and Dr. Fellos Gwozdz of Fort Worth, who told of his experiences in a Nazi concentration camp in Poland.

Poland,
Jack Armistrong, Parker County
rancher, and chairman of the Fort
Worth meetings, presided and announced that Maj. Harry Knickerbocker of Dallas, credited with the
covering the Yugoslav, training
program at Perrin, will be the
Sunday, night speaker. Sunday night speaker.

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FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM



FREEDOM FIGHTER—Mrs. Mary D. Cain of Summit, Miss., outspoken champion of American freedoms stands beside one of many posters displayed at a National Indignation Convention rally here Saturday night.

## Indignation Speaker Claims Conservatives Now in Majority

A retired Navy captain and author told more than 350 per-sons Sunday night that a Gallup poll shows conservatives now are in the majority in the United States and urged them to stand firm in their fight against Communists.

Capt. Robert A Winston of Westchester County, N. Y., better known perhaps under his pen name of Col. Victor L. Fox, was the featured speaker at the second and final night meeting of the National Indignation Conven-

Other convention speakers, in Will Rogers Memorial Auditorium, were Maj Harry Knickerbocker of Dallas and Jose Wiff of Hous-ton. The National Indignation Convention was founded in Dallas after Knickerbocker disclosed Yugoslav pilots were training at Perrin Air Force Base at Sher-

Turns Down Work Muff, manager of Robinson Orifice Fitting Company of Houston, was invited to speak because it was his firm that made news by turning down a chance to bid on a construction contract after it learned the work was to be in Yugoslavia.

The firm was invited to bid by Investment Import of New York, Investment Import of New York, which it learned was a cover firm for the Yugoslav government. Money for the construction work, a chemical and plastics plant, was to come from a development loan funceput up by the United States, which was a convention of the National Indigentary for the Communist Daily Worker in which he said the term "right-wing extremests" originated.

Knickerbocker invited his listeners to Dallas for a national convention of the National Indigenters. Muff said.

After the Houston firm turned down the bid offer, Muff wrote letters of protest to U.S. Senator John Tower and U. S. Rep. Bob Casey of Houston, A Dallas firm later successfully bid in the contract. Muff said the plant had tactical military value

Winston, a Navy fighter pilot in World War II and the Korean war, served as a navel staff officer, in Navy intelligence and served two years with the Central Intelligence Agency. He also went through two tours of duty in the Pentagon.

He wrote "The Pentagon Case." He also is the author of a number of magazine articles.

Jack Armstrong of Azle, who interests in Texas and Oklahoma and who promoted the two-day meeting here, introduced the speakers.

Levels Attack

Winston leveled an attack at administration sources for labeling protest movements such as the NIC as "right-wing extremeists" movements. He accused Attorney General Robert Kennedy. "either wittingly or unwittingly," of following the Communist Party

nation Convention Wednesday through Saturday.

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INDIGNATION SPEAKER—Maj. Harry Knickerbocker of Dallas, left, discusses his Sunday night appearance at the Fort Worth National Indignation Convention rally at the Jack Armstrong of Weatherford, chairman of the meetings here

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Re: NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION OF OKLAHOMA CITY; INFORMATION CONCERNING Enclosures:

One photocopy of leaflet re National Indignation Convention distributed by LEON M. WILLITS.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

12/8/61 DATE:

FROM

SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (62-new)(C)

SUBJECT:

NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION,

OF OKLAHOMA CITY

INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 12/6/61, Major JACK MULLENIX, Chief of Detectives, Oklahoma City Police Department, who is a member of the Executive Council of the Strategy for Survival Council, (SSC), an anti-Communist organization in Oklahoma City, advised SA [ that three representatives of the above-captioned organization were present at a meeting of the SSC held on the evening of 12/5/61. He stated these individuals attempted to persuade the Executive Council of the SSC to join with them or lend support to a planned meeting of the National Indignation Convention in Oklahoma City on 12/15/61.

Major MULLENIX advised that the Executive Council of the SSC considered this matter and generally agreed that the SSC should not participate in the meeting of the National Indigna tion Convention or give support to that organization.

Major MULLENIX advised that one of the three representatives of the National Indignation Convention was identified as IEON M. WILLITS, Chairman. He stated he did not learnthe identity of the other two representatives.

Major MULLENIX furnished a copy of a leaflet pertaining to the National Indignation Convention which was distributed by LEON M. WILLITS. A photocopy of this leaflet is being enclosed for the information of the Bureau and the Dallas Office.

A copy of this letter is being furnished to the Dallas Office inasmuch as the above-described leaflet indicates the National Indignation Convention originated in Dallas, Texas.

The current City Directory for Oklahoma City Contains a listing for one LEON M. WILLITS, 3740 Northwest 44th Street,

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employed as an agent for the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The files of the Oklahoma City Office contain no information pertaining to LEON M. WILLITS or the National Indignation Convention of Oklahoma City.

Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-436567)

1/11/62



SAC, DALLAS (105-1264) (P)

NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION INFORMATION CONCERNING INTERNAL SECURITY

Re Dallas letter to Bureau 12/1/61.

An article appeared in the Dallas Morning News dated 1/9/62, which revealed that FRANK MC GEHEE, leader of the NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION (NIC), stated that the NIC will gather in Washington, D.C., between 2/17/62 and 2/22/62. On 2/22/62, a Washington's birthday rally will be held in nearby Arlington, Virginia. The theme will be "LET NONE BUT AMERICANS STAND GUARD TONIGHT." On 5/29 to 30/62 a convention will be held in Constitutional Hall, according to MC GEHEE.

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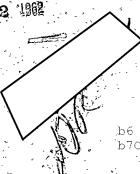
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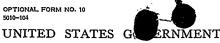
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ReDLlet to Bureau 1/11/62, no carbon copy, Richmond, which stated NIC will gather in Washington, D.C. between 2/17/62 and 2/22/62, and will hold a rally in Arlington, Virginia, 2/22/62.

A copy of relet enclosed for Richmond.

WFO is conducting no active investigation this case. Any pertinent information developed from established sources will be promptly furnished Bureau and interested offices in form suitable for dissemination.

Richmond should do the same.

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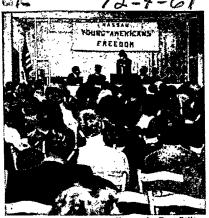
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DALLAS: The protest was at planes for Tito, but there was praise for McCarthy and a fervent plug for book-burning.



MIAMI: The action they de- mand ranges from impeachment of Chief Justice Warren to tearing down the Red Berlin wall.



FREEPORT: Along with lectures on patriotism and Benedict Arnold, suburbanite Long Islanders were warned: Russian peat moss was in their midst.

### Thunder on the Far Right: Fear and Frustration

To the cheers and applause of 1,800 delegates to the National Indignation Convention, the wiry Texan came forward from the audience one night last week and walked toward the stage of the vast, modernistic Dallas Memorial Auditorium.

Newsweek-Joe Laird

He was wearing black cowboy boots. brown plaid shirt, and shiny tie, swinging a white 10-gallon hat in his hand, and wearing an expression of lean, twinkly determination that gave him some resemblance to Gary Cooper.

He was introduced by Tom Anderson of Nashville, a well-known "patriot" and publisher of Farm and Ranch journal, who himself had just been summoned

up from the audience.
"A great patriot . . ." said Anderson of the cowboy, J. Evetts Haley. "He's been in this fight for 25 years.'

Haley sauntered to the microphone and drawled that he had driven six hours and 400 miles, from his home at Canyon, in the Texas Panhandle, to be at the meeting.

"I'm a newcomer to the ranks of the book-burners," he twanged, to the delight of the audience, who knew him as the man whose most recent public outcry was to take certain books (including a seventh-grade music book) out of public schools. "I'm called a witch hunter. Well, I'm not so worried 'bout witches, but I sure am worried about some of these sons of witches ... " (Laughter.)

Tom Anderson here has turned moderate," Haley went on, "All he wants to do is impeach [Chief Justice Earl] Warren-I'm for hanging him." (Laughter.)
This little sally brought to a close a

two-and-one-half-hour meeting, the main

feature of which had been a ten-minute talk over the telephone with Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker, Eastern Air Lines board chairman. Rickenbacker, in New York, was interviewed by Sidney Latham, attorney for multimillionaire oilman H.L. Hunt, and the phone conversation was put on the loudspeakers.

"I concur wholeheartedly with your three main points," Rickenbacker told the meeting. (The three: The U.S. should quit training Yugoslav pilots; quit selling

jet planes to Yugoslavia; and fire the U.S. officials responsible for the policy.)\* Rickenbacker went on to talk about

the late Sen. Joe McCarthy, who "had the courage to oppose the enemy and realized that the method had to be drastic to bring attention ... Some day the American people will erect a monument to his memory ....

Applause drowned out the rest. This was the National Indignation Con-

vention, Dallas-style.

Organized only seven weeks ago by Frank McGehee, a 32-year-old Dallas businessman and former law student, the National Indignation Convention is perhaps the fastest growing of the many far-right-wing organizations that have sprung up recently in a marked resurgence of ultra-conservatism in the U.S. Among the most prominent:

►The John Birch Society, founded by Robert Welch, a retired Massachusetts candy manufacturer. Welch's most remarkable remark to date: "... My firm opinion that Dwight Eisenhower is a dedicated and conscious agent of the

Communist conspiracy is based on an accumulation of detailed evidence ...' The society's most prominent member: Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker, whose use of John Birch material to indoctrinate troops in Germany led to his being relieved of command.

▶The Christian Anti-Communist Crusade, headed by Dr. Fred Schwarz, who observed last week that the Bolshoi Ballet's performances in New York were really tactical coups in the cold war.

▶The Christian Crusade, headed by the Rev. Billy James Hargis of Tulsa, Okla., who told a Houston audience recently that the brotherhood-of-man concept is "hogwash."

▶And on the fringe of lunacy, the guntoting Minutemen, arming against a Russian invasion, and George Lincoln Rockwell's American Nazi-Party, dedicated to anti-Semitism.

The NIC, however, has shown the most remarkable rise. It already has staged meetings in 90 cities, from Connecticut to California. Specifically, the NIC's aims are confined to the three Rickenbacker approved. But its membership, a cross section of the radical right, espouses a variety of ultraconservative causes, from abolition of the income tax to the John Birch Society's demand for the impeachment of Supreme Court Jus-

tice Warren, on the ground that he is "soft on Communism."

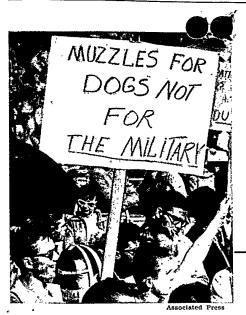
At a meeting in Freeport, Mary last week, Mrs. Raymond Terwilliger a redhaired housewife wholes halher this and is an area NIC coordinator, rose to warn the audience: "I've just been told that Russian peat moss is being sold in many nurseries on Long Island. Remember to

\*A policy initiated in 1952 by Prohower to keep Tito independent of continued by John F. Kennedy.

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PHOENIX: Picketing President Kennedy, these demonstrators protested the "muzzling" of Maj. Gen. Edwin Walker, who taught troops Birch dogma.

LOS ANGELES: Placard carriers march before the Federal Building to protest sending jet fighters to Tito and training his pilots in the United States.

### . Rouse Extremists to Action Across the Land

ask where your peat moss comes from."

That line might almost have been cribbed from a current skit at the Up-

stairs at the Downstairs, a sophisticated New York night spot whose performers spoof the Birch Society with a ditty which goes: "Join the John Birch Society, there's so much to do. Have you heard they're serving vodka at the WCTU?"

There is no question that the NIC, along with many other rapidly proliferating groups, is efficiently managed and well financed. (So well financed in fact that some moderate Republicans, notably Richard Nixon, are concerned that campaign funds won't be forthcoming for them.) And almost every week or so, a new group is formed, adding its voice to a mounting chorus of extreme conservatism, which demands among other things an "all or nothing" belligerence in the prosecution of the cold war.

Similar Voices: Concerned by this ominous thunder on the right, President Kennedy said in a speech in Los Angeles recently (Newsweek, Nov. 27): "In the most critical periods of our nation's history, there have always been those on the fringes of our society who have sought to escape their own responsibility by finding a simple solution, an appealing slogan, or a convenient scapegoat ... And under the strains and frustrations imposed by constant tension and harassment, the discordant voices of extremism are once again heard in the land."

Former President Dwight Eisenhower had this to say: "Those who take extreme positions in American political and economic life are always wrong, an error made more serious when based upon distortion and misrepresentation of fact. Reactionaries, worshipping the concept of super-patriotism, fail to realize that the term is a misnomer ... nothing more than insufferable arrogance."

Former Vice President Richard Nixon added: "Robert Welch and other extremists ... recommend we fight Communism with Communist methods."

#### ANATOMY OF THE FAR RIGHT

The far right is a potpourri of odd notions. Some groups (the Birchers, for one) oppose fluoridation of water. Others oppose Federal registration of firearms, on the theory that if the Communists took over they would seize the registration lists, then the weapons, and foil a counter-revolution. Fulton Lewis, the ultraconservative commentator, says these are the notions of "the lunatic fringe." "I allow a guy one or two lunatic-fringe groups; if he belongs to more than that I just turn and walk away."

In Phoenix, Ariz., last month, a group called Stay American put up a slate of municipal candidates to oppose citymanager government, on the ground it is a Communist device. (Unwittingly the slate found itself to the right of Barry Goldwater, who had helped in the fight to adopt city management in 1950.) At a campaign rally, Mrs. Mary Larkin, a Stay American candidate, announced that Communists were conspiring to "blow up state capitols at a certain signal." The voters of Phoenix were not panicked. Stay American was trounced.

Obviously, the multifarious groups within the far-right wing do not always agree on key issues. Yet while all these organizations may differ somewhat in

their motivation and their methods, they share some things in common:

They believe, as McCarthy's supporters did, that the major threat to the U.S. from Communism comes not from the nuclear power of the Soviet Union—but from other Americans. Robert Welch, Massachusetts candy manufacturer who founded the John Birch Society, goes so far as to call the nation's military buildup "wasteful ... a phony defense against an external enemy."

▶ A surprising number of them favor abolition of the income tax. At the Dallas NIC meeting, delegates were treated to some recorded comments by film star Ronald Reagan, who said that "the progressive income tax was spawned by Karl Marx a hundred years ago."

Because of these jointly held ideas, there is considerable cross-pollination and dual membership in the groups of the right. (Many Birch Society members. for example, have joined the NIC and are active in a pamphlet-distributing anti-Communist group known as Project Alert.) Sometimes, there is too much cross-pollination for ideological comfort. An example of this was an open letter that Nazi George Lincoln Rockwell, an ardent anti-Semite, sent to Welch, and to former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker. Rockwell, surmising that "you'll both be frightened of my ogreish reputation," complimented Welch for his "brilliant writing and analysis," and Walker for his 'inspiring courage and actions.'

Among all these groups, a rising star is General Walker, who is besieged with speaking invitations from virtually all the right-wing organizations. The Senate hearings on Walker's political indoctrina-

tion of his troops in Ge uled for next January, ow up into a cause célèbre similar to the Army-McCarthy dispute of 1954, with Walker emerging as something of a martyr; but this the Administration will seek to avoid.

Politically, Barry Goldwater is the acknowledged leader, whether he likes it or not. "Without him, the whole movement would slip back into the mud," said Fulton Lewis. Prominent far-rightists are almost unanimous in saying they would support him for the Presidency in 1964. But Goldwater stands considerably to the left of many of the militant extremists. The senator, interviewed in Arizona last week, expressed the belief that "the extremists have hurt the conservative movement, just as the Americans for Democratic Action has hurt the Democratic Party."

Asked why he feels this way, the Republican senator said: "My complaint against the leader of the John Birch Society is that he attacked people without proof. I disagree with Earl Warren, but

I see no reason to impeach him."

If Goldwater is the political darling of the extremists, blond, 35-year-old William F. Buckley Jr. is their spiritual and intellectual leader. Buckley, whose classmates at Yale recall that even in his undergraduate days he had an overriding interest in politics, is the erudite editor of National Review,\* a weekly journal of right-wing opinion. In Taiwan, where he had gone last week as a guest of the Chinese Nationalists, Buckley asserted that Goldwater would get the "entire vote of the right except for a handful of diehard anti-Semites." (Goldwater is an Episcopalian, the son of a Protestant mother and a Jewish father.) In Buckley's view, Welch leans toward the "berserk right," but many of Welch's own members do not.

Asked to define the objectives of conservatism, Buckley gave them in negative terms: Anti-Communism abroad, anti-statism at home. He acknowledged it is a failing of the right-wing conservatives today that they cannot say what they are for-only what they are against.

#### HOW THE WORD IS SPREAD

What MIT is to engineering and Harvard is to law, Harding College is to the far right. Nestled in the Ozark foothills at Searcy, Ark. (population: 7,800), Harding seems the very model of a backwater. Bible Belt campus. Actually, it operates a right-wing propaganda mill which has made the school the academic capital of ultra-conservatism.

Each year an estimated 100,000 pieces of literature, press releases, pamphlets, (Continued on Page 22)

## 'I Am a Walking Program,' Says.

A visitor seeking former Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker today must go up to the seventeenth floor of a downtown Dallas office building and walk through a suite occupied by the American National Oil Co. to reach a small rear office that the firm has indirectly sublet to the man who has become the new hero of the extreme right wing in America. There before a glasstopped desk sits the trim, powerfullooking ex-officer, dressed in a blue civilian suit. Opposite him is a case full of books and pamphlets-most of which preach with great intensity the approaching downfall of the United States from internal subversion.

General Walker thrusts his head forward when he talks. From time to time he pulls off his glasses to emphasize a point, and when he does, his West Point class ring catches the visitor's eye.

But Walker, resigned from the Army at the height of a long and fighting career, says little for publication. A question brings on this routine; A dimpled smile, a flick of ash from his Salem cigarette, a long pause, and then
"no comment." Thus, he turns aside all inquiries about his political ambitions; about a projected speaking tour on the Communist conspiracy he believes infects the government, the churches, the schools, and the press; about right-wing groups that jealously want to claim him.

This office reticence, however, bends a bit at the Town House Motor Hotel on Harry Hines Boulevard where he stays in Dallas-particularly when the questioner is a newsman who covered him when General Walker commanded the troops ordered to enforce integration in Little Rock back in 1957.

At the motel last week Walker proudly brought out a letter he described as "grass-roots" reaction to his mission-the writer insisted that Walker was the man to lead America against the "comminist [sic] red bellies." general brought out other letters that had dollar bills pinned to them, and one that had a \$50 check enclosed.

He Can Fish: This brought up the question of Walker's financial affairs, and he dictated one of the few answers he would allow to be printed: "To the question 'Are you worried about financial support?' the answer is, 'I can always fish for a living'.'

What manner of man is Walker? His dogged rise from West Point cadet (class of 1931; he ranked 229th out of 296) to major general has brought authority to Walker's low, flat voice, tinged with a Texas drawl. He was born 52 years ago in Center Point, Texas, where his mother and brother still live on a prosperous ranch that has been in the family more than 100 years. Through the 1930s, Walker, a hell-for-leather polo player, rose slowly in the peacetime Army. The handsome young artillery officer never married, but he was popular with the daughters and wives of officers at bleak posts in the U.S. and Hawaii. The close of World War II saw him a colonel who had commanded the colorful paratroopcommando Canadian-American First Special Service Force in France, Germany, and Italy.

Then came Korea. At Heartbreak Ridge, Walker saw one of the most anguishing failures of American arms-the headlong retreats of American troops and the defections of American soldiers to the Reds. Recalling his heart-



In Little Rock: Walker on duty with helmeted Col. William A. Kuhn

<sup>\*</sup>The magazine's intriguing classified ads offer "Better Dead than Red" bumper stickers for 25 cents, and "Goldwater in '64" stickers, three for \$1.

### . the General

felt grief, Walker wrote in a statement to a subcommittee of the Senate Armed Services Committee last summer:

"... I saw stalemate become the substitute for victory. The monument there became the PW [prisoner of war] cages. Thirty-three thousand American dead and more than 100,000 Koreans lost are the monument to the censorship of victory on the field of battle."

A civilian associate of Walker's—one who believes in what the former general says about the danger of internal Red subversion—dates Walker's interest in vigorous anti-Communism from his desolation over Korea.

Walker began to read about, and brood over, what he had come to believe was the decade's greatest domestic problem: The threat of Communism to America's internal security.

Oddly, destiny sent Walker to the very city where action by the Federal government had exacerbated the feelings of such fanatical rightists as John Kasper—to Little Rock, In September of 1957, Walker was ordered to keep the peace with Federal troops in the school-integration riots.

Fix Bayonets: "Through appropriate military channels," Walker said, "I repeatedly urged that responsibility be restored to the state's National Guard, whose loyalty ... neither I, nor any other U.S. officer has ever had reason to question." His request was refused and Walker's men, bayonets at the ready, carried out their duties quietly.

In the summer of 1959, Walker was named commander of the 24th Infantry

Division in Europe.

"Before he came everything we'd heard seemed to be good," a young officer recalled in Germany last week. "Then after he arrived he gave a speech, a sort of arrival address, at a big party we had at the officers' club... Pretty soon people began turning their heads and looking quizzically at each other... Later there was a dance. People kept bumping into each other and saying: 'What was he talking about?'"

Walker was talking about his Anti-Red crusade—and what his closest associates did not know was that he hadjoined the John Birch Society in 1959.

The new divisional commander was a sharp and demanding officer and his personal dislikes soon became known. Among them: Eleanor Roosevelt, Adlai Stevenson, Mad magazine, Edward R. Murrow (the day Murrow was named U.S. Information Agency head, Walker was described as "practically" having



In Korea: Lt. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor decorates Walker

a tantrum), and Harvard University.
"General Walker," said an aide,
"thought Harvard was the bad place,
the factory where they made Communists. He sure was death on Harvard."

Walker found that his troops were uninformed about the Communist enemy; their education at home, school, and church "sadly neglected."

Down the chain of Army command, and extending into the schools and women's clubs of 24th Division dependents, a giant campaign began drumming out information about Communism.

On a list of recommended books was "The Life of John Birch" by Robert Welch, founder of the John Birch Society; soldiers were urged to telephone Walker's office for Congressional voting records compiled by the far-right Americans for Constitutional Action. An officer who worked with Walker recalled:

"When he first started putting some of this stuff in the Taro Leaf [the division newspaper] some of his aides said:

sion newspaper] some of his aides said: 'Goddammit, General, you just can't do this.' He'd listen, but he'd sure as hell never take any such advice ..."

In April 1961, The Overseas Weekly, a privately owned sex-and-sensation newspaper with wide distribution among soldiers in Germany, broke the story that Walker was using the John Birch Society line in educating his men. The story also quoted speeches by Walker to off-duty troops and dependents in which he had declared that former President Trüman, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, and Dean Acheson were "definitely pink."

The Army Renets: After cautioning him twice for these excesses, the Army finally relieved Walker of his command and held an investigation, the report of which runs through 900 pages and twelve volumes of text. The inquiry determined that Walker had violated two Army regulations (one

prohibiting officers from publicly attacking government officials; another prohibiting officers from attempting to influence the way in which troops vote) and a statute paralleling the Hatch Act prohibiting a government employe from engaging in partisan politics. Yet with it all, the general was merely admonished and assigned to Hawaii as assistant chief of staff for training and operations. Walker wouldn't have it. Instead he resigned from the Army, forfeiting the more than \$12,000 a year pay he would have received had he elected to retire.

To Sen. Strom Thurmond, the South Carolina Democrat who ran for President on the Dixiecrat ticket in 1948, the issue suddenly became one of major principle: Whether the Pentagon had a right to "muzzle" the generals. On Thurmond's call, the Senate Armed Services Committee voted a fuller probe of the Walker affair, now set for the first of next year.

And what of Walker's future? In Washington not long ago Walker and a number of well-known conservatives met about his plans. One of them thinks Walker has little chance to be the right wing's man on horseback. "His mind runs so far ahead of his voice that you can't understand what he is saying ... he actually gets incoherent ... he's too centered on one issue, indoctrination of troops."

Nevertheless, in Texas, Walker is hard at work drafting speeches. The \$10,000 he says he spent from his own pocket to provide anti-Communist literature for his troops in Germany shows his seriousness about his mission. And so do the words he used to describe himself to his superiors: "I am a walking program—with ten years of experience. I am the program . . . I am influencing every day of my life, and if I wasn't I wouldn't be a commander."

(Continued from Page 20) and anti-Communist stu mailed out from Harding to individuals, organizations, businesses, schools, newspapers, and radio stations. In the past fourteen years, millions of persons have viewed one or more of the Harding films on economics and politics. On a single day recently, the Searcy post office shipped out 97 prints, including the strident right wing film strip, Communism on the Map."\* Among the charges offered by this presentation: All of Western Europe, as well as Greenland, and most of Asia, is in the grip of Communists, who often pretend to be Socialists.

Big Money: The source of this material is the National Education Program, situated in Harding's American Studies Building. NEP spends \$200,000 annually (most of it obtained from right-wing industrialists), to spread its gospel. NEP is headed by Dr. George S. Benson, president of the college. Of the NEP's finances, one Arkansas Congressman said: "Benson has a gift for getting money out of the rich."

Benson, a quietly genial man, a former missionary, is nonetheless a zealous rightist who says: "Harry Dexter White did us serious damage when he stole our plates so Russia could print American money. It influenced . . . Roosevelt to insist on unconditional surrender of

Germany. Another important point of origin for far-right literature is the headquarters of the John Birch Society in Belmont, Mass., situated in a building a few blocks from the comfortable fieldstone and frame home of Robert Welch. The Birch headquarters, next door to the Belmont post office, shares space with Welch's monthly magazine, American Opinion (he used to call it One Man's Opinion). Visitors are ushered into a large, bright room lined with bookcases. The shelves are filled with books on Communism-written by Communists, pro-Communists, and anti-Communists. The casual visitor is not shown Welch's own office, where he writes much of American Opinion him-

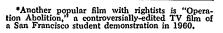
(the exact figures are secret).

Inexact Figures: In a typical broadside, Welch recently declared that "one-half of 1 per cent of all Catholic priests are Comsymps [Welch's contraction for Communist sympathizers]." When challenged, Welch admitted: "This figure ... is simply pulled out of a hat, as a complete guess, without any substantiation being claimed."

self, and grinds out the monthly bulle-

tins to his estimated 60,000 members

Of the Birch crusade, Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy snapped: "The only Communist the John Birchers have





Benson of Harding: Propagandist for the right

uncovered is President Eisenhower." A good portion of the Birch material, and much of Harding College's product, is sent to those parts of the nation where the radical right is strongest—southern California, Texas, Arizona, and Florida. To students of far-right phenomena, Texas is perhaps most interesting. Not only is it the home of oil and cattle barons, whose rugged individualism blends easily with ultraconservative activism, but it is Fundamentalist Bible Belt country, where anti-Communism becomes a Christian crusade. As syndicated columnist George Sokolsky, an aging sage



Minutemen's arsenal: Set for invasion

of ultra-conservatism, said in a recent interview: "The first appeal of conservatism is religious, a rejection of atheism. When you ignore that, you ignore the essence."

Interestingly, many of the most vigorous anti-Communist groups stress the religious aspect (in contrast to the radical left groups of the '20s and '30s, which stressed atheism). A prime example: The Christian Anti-Communist Crusade, headed up by Dr. Fred Schwarz of Long Beach, Calif. Schwarz, an Australian who sounds a bit like Professor 'iggins, hop-skips about the country making speeches and setting up "schools," at which ardent anti-Communists can enroll for a fee, get the literature, listen to lectures, and carry the message onward. Dr. Schwarz's views coincide with many of chief Bircher Welch's. At a meeting in Birmingham, Ala., last week, Schwarz told some 500 right-wingers: "Logic and reason will tell us a Communist dictator will rule America in ten yéars. Instinct and accumulated experience tells us that this is wrong, but the fact is that the Communists are conquering the world The asset we have to counterbalance this is our God."

Crusader Schwarz's followers include some of the biggest names in movies— John Wayne, Linda Darnell, and James Stewart, among many others.

#### THE MILITARY RIGHT

To a number of retired generals and admirals some rightist movements appear to have a particular attraction. The reason seems obvious. By training and inclination, military leaders must be men of action. In a cold war, or a limited action such as Korea, they are frustrated by political restrictions, as Gen. Douglas

MacArthur found himself to be. Maryof these retired military men have joined the American Security Council, a quietspoken but rigidly doctrinaire organization. Its stated purpose: "To prepare detailed studies and recommendations on key national security issues of vital interest to all Americans."

Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer, tall, white-haired, and militarily erect at 65, is a member of the council's national strategy committee. In addition to listing many Midwestern industrialists among its members, the American Security Council has a long roster of retired officers: Lt. Gen. Edward M. Almond, Adm. Felix B. Stump, Adm. Ben Moreell, Adm. Arthur W. Radford (former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff), and Rear Adm. Chester Ward.

Seated at the modernistic desk in his Washington office one day last week, Wedemeyer said that for a time he had served as an adviser to Welch's American Opinion, but quit for an interesting reason. "I knew John Birch, as a captain in China, when I was out there during the war," Wedemeyer said. (The general commanded the China-Burma-India, theater of operations and was Chiang Kai-shek's chief of staff.) "Birch was one of a number of men who participated in operations in China, parachuting behind enemy lines. He provoked the attack on himself [when he was killed by the Chinese Communists]; he was arrogant. I warned Welch not to make a hero of Birch. That's why I quit as an adviser. I think Welch is a dedicated, fine American but he lacks good judgment.

Heat for Heat: Asked whether he felt that some Birch groups and others have moved to extreme positions, Wedemeyer commented: "Extremism begets extremism. Heat generates heat." As for the Pentagon's "muzzling" of the military, he said: "There should be no one stopping free discussion by the military. But I believe military men on active duty should not get involved in politics."

Another retired officer, Brig. Gen. Bonner Fellers, a wartime aide to MacArthur, is now a national director of a group called For America, and chairman of the Citizens Foreign-aid Committee—which does not advocate foreign aid. Fellers, mild-mannered, round-faced and 65, holds the curious belief that when a U.S. President extends foreign aid to an underdeveloped nation, he is motivated by a desire for personal influence. "There is a personal element in this," Fellers says.

The general—like a number of others—also holds some strong military views. He believes, for example, that nuclear weapons should be used in such spots as South Vietnam and Laos. (Others go even further and advocate a "preventive war.") Fellers would not cut back the

military buildup—but he wants U.S. soldiers brought back from abroad. "They are there to be sacrificed," he said. "They have no military value."

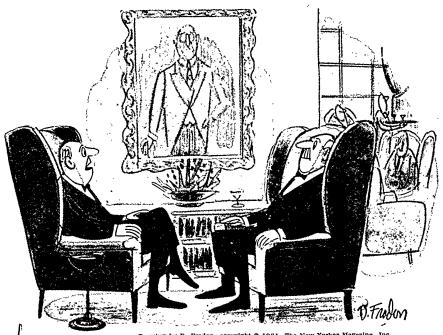
#### THE FANATIC FRINGE

One of the strangest groups yet spawned in the current surge of the radical right is a loosely knit federation of guerrilla bands, who have armed themselves to resist a Russian invasion. The leader of this implausible group is Robert DePugh, 38, of Norborne, Mo., a member of the Birch Society and owner of a veterinary-drugs firm.

DePugh, a burly man who speaks in a thin, nasal voice, has mentioned at times a membership of 25,000 Minutemen: but law-enforcement authorities Migue an district coordinator who supplied the weapons, was arrested on a firearms-violation charge, which later was dismissed (in most states, it is not a violation to hold such sessions, or to display firearms). As a further complication for DePugh, two of his followers were picked up by police for not registering records of sex offenses.

Last week, DePugh told Newsweek that the Minutemen now have a new secret training site, where all new members must come if they want guerrilla instruction. The course, he said, starts each Saturday and runs twelve weeks.

DePugh, who says his membership consists of "well-educated, quiet, responsible people," confided that weapons instruction is a small part of the group's activity. "We have begun a study of



'The way Fenton is always yacking about free enterprise, talking up the John Birch Society, and all that, it wouldn't surprise me one damn bit if he were a Communist'

put the number at only a few hundred, mostly in southern Illinois and southern California. DePugh says he keeps his membership records secret so that the members will not suffer embarrassment from public "misunderstanding." He is equally evasive about the structure of his organization, claiming that he knows only the names of his district leaders in various parts of the country. (Although eager to make public appearances, extreme right-wing leaders are very chary about getting down to cases in individual interviews.)

The Minutemen first came to light in October, when about twenty of them attended a "guerrilla-warfare seminar" at Shiloh, Ill. The group was equipped with weapons ranging from rifles to 81-mm. mortars. Richard Lauchli Jr., the

school textbooks and teaching methods in this country. There is no doubt that there is what might be called a Communistic-Socialist slant in many textbooks."

Even more bizarre than the Minutemen is George Rockwell's Nazi group. On the door of Rockwell's two-story frame house in Arlington, Va., a red, white, and black sign says: "American Nazi Party Headquarters. Trespassers will be shot. No minors . . ."

The door was opened one day last week to a Newsweek reporter by "Lieutenant" Bernard F. Davis, who gravely inspected the reporter's credentials. Inside, two Nazi flags and an American flag were set in standards along two walls. Four candles flickered beside a bronze bas-relief of Adolf Hitler. A copy of Rockwell's book, bearing the fanatic title

### Other Voices

The sharp right turn is nothing new in U.S. politics. It first emerged during the 1850s, when a Protestant economy felt threatened by Roman Catholic immigration. Hence the anti-Catholic, anti-immigrant Know-Nothing Party, which collapsed after losing the 1856 election. Described by Princeton historian Eric Goldman as "a Neanderthal hangover," this phenomenon has erupted at intervals ever since. These extremist excursions have been spawned by men of varied motivations. But the root of their crusades has always been fear, and their rampages often fearful—while they lasted.

**COUGHLIN:** Shrilly excoriating FDR as "that great betrayer and liar . . . the anti-God" in 1936, Detroit's Father Charles E. Coughlin drew a radio audience of millions for his weekly tirades against Wall Street and the Jews.



KUHN: In the '30s, too, Fritz Kuhn (left) taught Nazi songs to the 6,617 Storm Troopers of his German-American Bund, who greeted one another with "Heil Hitler." When Kuhn was convicted of theft in 1939—and Germany went to war—the Bund lost its appeal.

BAUTH: A blustery ex-Baptist Minister named Gerald L.K. Smith (right), who once publicly prayed "God, make me a rabble-rouser," crested the wave of isolationist frenzy in 1937 with his nationwide Committee of One Million. While disclaiming anti-Semitism, his slogan was "Christ First in America."



Associated Press



McCarthy: In 1950 Sen. Joseph McCarthy mounted his attack on the "Communist conspiracy" in the U.S. At first, he had his supporters but his irresponsible slandering of innocent men disenchanted all but the fanatics. The Senate condemned him in 1954.



WELCH: A major luminary of the far right, Robert Welch is founder of the super-patriotic John Birch Society and author (in 1959) of its manifesto, "The Blue Book." An elusive man, Welch likes to boast of his own "fanaticism" in hunting down "Comsymps."

"This Time the World," was displayed

on a side table.

Rockwell, a tall, powerfully built man of 43, descended the stairs (to be greeted by "Sieg heill" from his followers, and imitation Nazi salutes) and began a dreary monologue: "Communism is the mating of the infamous of the world led by Jews... a mob of weaklings. I am just as sure as Mr. Welch is that Eisenhower is a Communist. Almost everybody in the Administration is at least an anti-anti-Communist."

Rockwell harangued on: "General Walker can be the leader, if he doesn't flub his chances." Of his own membership: "We've got 50-60 people in Arlington. People are too scared to join us so they join the Birch Society. What has the John Birch Society done? They haven't even been able to impeach Warren!"

#### THE CAUSES AND THE CURE

What sets the extremist apart from the true conservative? To many-astute social scientists, one of the key differences is the way the extremist views the world. He tends to view it in blacks and whites, with few shadings. More important, he tends to view it as conspiratorial: There is a plot to slant the textbooks; the press is infested with radicals; Communism's threat is an internal conspiracy. This frightened, totally negative view explains why so many radical right groups share so many basic tenets of faith,

Because of this unrealistic approach, most extremists cannot see the contradictions in their zealously held convictions. Their dichotomy-extends even to FBI Chief J. Edgar Hoover. On the one hand, he is one of their great heroes. Yet they suggest he fails in his responsibility since they profess to see more and more subversives at work in the U.S. each year, despite the diligence of the FBI in internal-security matters.

David Riesman, Harvard sociologist and co-author of "The Lonely Crowd," had this to say when interviewed recently in Tokyo: "They [the extremists] want to get rid of the income tax and build more bombs; they want to weaken the Federal government in some respects but strengthen it as a military power. There isn't any clear image of the country they would like to see . . . so that what is lacking is the kind of conservatism for which Senator Taft stood, which is reasonable, which looks at issues with discrimination."

What has caused the upsurge of extremist thought? In Riesman's view, it was held in check "as long as a Republican general was President—because he was a Republican, because he was a general, and because his own benign qualities tended—during most of his morarchy—to quiet people, to keep them feeling, well, things were all right.

"But even in the last years of his reign,

pressures began to build up." Among right-wingers, Riesman went on, the feeling was slowly beginning to grow that "things were not all right. And the campaign [nutured this feeling] by playing up the things that were not all right -the so-called missile gap, and so on. So that the same forces which propelled President Kennedy into office unleashed

the right wing."

Reaction: Henry Steele Commager analyzes the causes of the right-wing surge in harsher terms. The historian (who now divides his time between Amherst and Columbia) observed that it is "the first hate movement chiefly among the middle and upper-middle classes. People of substance and property are confronted with a threatening world. They don't understand why we 'lost' China. They don't know why we are threatened in Berlin. So they tend to pull back into the womb of isolation, or strike out blindly in an effort to smash things, as a frightened child would do.

They not only should seek the reasonable path; judging from past performances they will. Radicalism on the right or left is not new to American politics (see page 28). But not in this century has any of these movements had any tangible political effect. Fritz Kuhn's German-American Bund elected no one. Father Coughlin's extremism put no one in office. Not even a genuine political defection, the Dixiecrat revolt of '48, could defeat Harry Truman. Just what effect today's thunder on the right will have no one can say definitely now, of

course; President Kennedy believes that the voices of extremism will be muffled in due course by "the good sense and stability of the American consensus," and

he is probably correct.

Even so, the frustrated fanaticism in evidence now is not to be shrugged off. The nation was not built on distrust and suspicion; it was built by men together pledging their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor.

There are crises today in the cold war more hazardous and more trying than any the nation has ever known in the past-and now, as ever, only in union is

there strength.

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The National Indignation Convention announced today that it is ADVISORY COUNCIL ganizing in every congressional district in the United States for the sole purpose of protesting aid by the government of the United States to Communist Nations around the world.

It was further announced today that 77 major conventions will be held on Saturday night, January 20, 1962. These conventions will Oklahoma City, Otabe held all over the United States and 57 of them will be tied-in

by a giant telephone hook-up to a speech by Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker. In addition to the conventions, more than 100 radio stations will also be tied-in to the speech. The conventions alone rep-

resent 25 states and 100,000 people. This, of course, does not include the listening audience of the radio stations which are located from the East coast to the West coast and from the Mexican border to the Canadian border. Maj. Gen. Walker's speech will be heard in

will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the General's speech will be at 8:30 p.m.

Dallas at the N.I.C. Rally at the Memorial Auditorium.

protest against the training of Yugoslavian Air Force pilots

The National Indignation Convention had its genesis in a spontaneous

U.S. Air Force at a time when Communist Dictator Tito was openly AN 24 1962

allying himself with the Soviet Union, and calling for the United States' evacuation of the Naval Base at Guantanamo Bay.

Attached hereto for the Editor's use is a copy of the Resolution of 100 the National Indignation Convention. This embodies the three purposes of the N.I.C. and should outline further our purpose.

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Frank B. McGehee, Chairman

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#### A RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, the training of Communist pilots at Perrin Air Force Base near Sherman; Texas, and elsewhere within the United States, has furnished adequate cause for unstinted indignation in the mind of every American citizen who realizes the value of freedom and reverse its Source; and

WHEREAS, the NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION convened itself in Dallas, Texas, on October 14, 1961, as the natural and inevitable expression of a free people in whom resides the ultimate pawer of government, and whose opinion is the genesis of all political authority; and

WHEREAS, this Convention, in preliminary sessions of eight meetings, has determined upon a pronouncement of principles and a course of action, and is now resolute in its intention to carry forward its program and purposes by and through every legal means inherent in the people of this Republic and confided to them by the Constitution and Laws of this nation and of the Sovereign States comprising it; and

WHEREAS, in fulfillment of our duty to those of like mind, faith and courage, we here now invoke Divine Guidance and make this public Declaration:

The NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION, through its members assembled at Dallas, Texas, this 21st day of October, 1961, highly resolves, in the presence of God and each other, that they will continue without let or hindrance, and will never cease in their efforts to bring about a full, complete and final realization of these three objectives:

- 1. All Communist and other enemy pilots, technicians, and other military personnel being trained in the United States must and shall be returned to their own lands at the earliest possible moment.
- 2. The transfer to Communist and other enemy nations of all planes and other weapons of war, and materials that can be converted to weapons, must and shall be terminated at once, and any in process of transfer shall be stopped in transit and returned to the United States, and any and all agreements relative thereto shall be cancelled immediately.
- 3. The identity of those persons in government responsible for the training of any Communist and other enemy personnel, the transfer of any planes or military materials to Communist and other enemy nations, and the negotiation of contracts therefor, shall be determined and they must and shall be removed from office.

To the accomplishment of these purposes we call upon every elected and appointed officer in this nation to exercise every power invested in his office to protect this nation from subversion from within and other disaster from without.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the people of every State of this Union be, and they are bereby, called upon to adopt these principles, lend their able hands and proceed with us to the victory that must be ours if we are to continue to share together the blessings of liberty; all to the end that we shall, on November 22, 191, at 8:30 P.M., in the Memorial Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, reconvene this Convention with representation from all the States.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate committees of this Convention, under the direction of the Executive Committee, be, and they are hereby, authorized to take such steps as in their judgment may be meet and proper to afford an opportunity to the members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the National Congress to express themselves on the three objectives of this Convention, and to render such aid and assistance to people in other areas in behalf of the purposes herein expressed as may be indicated.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED that this NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION now recess to the date aforesaid in order that its members may carry into further effect this Declaration.

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Dear

Your letter of January 26th, with enclosure, 3 has been received, and your interest in my book, "Masterso of Deceit, " is appreciated.

Although I would like to be of service, the FBI is an investigative agency of the Federal Government and, as such, does not make evaluations nor draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. I regret that I am unable to help you and hope that you will not infer in this connection either that we do or that we do not have data in our files relating to the subject of your inquiry.

Enclosed is some literature dealing with the general subject of communism which may be of interest. I am returning the stamped, self-addressed envelope which you forwarded.

Sincerely yours,

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Tyler Texas. Jan 26. 1962.

Mr.J Edgar Hoover.

Dear Mr Hoover.

I have Just read your book, Masters of Deceit, your book is a book that I think every American should read, if he values our American way of living. Mr Hoover I want to do everything I can to help open our fellow mans eyes.

I am very much in favor of the National Indignation convention, which I am a member I think it is a worth while organization and would you please tell me in your own words what you think of this N.I.C. do you think it is a worth while organization. It is very important to me to know how you feel toward this organization.

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'No hope for peace'-

# Walker says U.S. should demand U.N. expel Reds ...

BY DON BROWN News staff writer

Former Maj. Gen. Edwin Walk-er said Saturday night the United States should issue this ultimatum to the United Nations:

"Either the Soviet Union and best translators. its satellites get out, or we get

"The United Nations is not a hope for peace," he said, "but a guarantee for tyranny.

"No organization in which Russia participates can be anything but an agency for the advance-ment of Russia," he said.

Walker, former commander of the U. S. 24th Division in Germany, resigned recently when he was called down by Washington in a feud over charges that Walk- ized the Southeast Asia Treaty er was engaging in political ac-

HE SPOKE Saturday night from National Indignation Convention rally in Odessa, Tex., via special long-distance telephone to a meeting of the Jefferson County Indignation Committee, at Jefferson County Courthouse. About 150 persons attended.

His speech was pickéd up at similar meetings in Montgomery and Tuscumbia in Alabama, and 123 other cities across the nation.

Walker told his audiences the "Potomac pretenders" of the U. S. have acted as an ally of Russia, for nearly 20 years, since the Tehran Conference of 1943.

"We have condoned and supported Stalin and Khrushchev," he said. "And unless U.S. policy changes, our men will never have the chance to fight — munism." HE APPEALED for the destruction of the United Nations.

"The U.N. Building is our own Tower of Babel," said Walker. "Nations there do not speak the same language, even with the

The U.N. has been morally bankrupt from the beginning."

Walker also called the North Atlantic Treaty Alliance a tool of the Reds.

"NATO exists on Communist succor and will be liquidated on Communist signal," he said. "It is an army of occupation for Western Europe in an area where Russia is replacing the U. S. as power."

Communism, he said, neutral-

Organization (SEATO), and it has you're doing is tremendous disappeared.

turn its weapons over to a U.N. that Communist Yugoslavia air-'world army" would be suicide, men were being trained at Perren he said.

Walker said if this nation "does not survive, it will be because our national administration does not plan for us to survive."

But he said he was optimistic about this country's chances, because the people have awakened to Communist infiltration and danger.

"The National Indignation Convention proves citizens who want here included Rep. Hught bocke to be heard will make themselves Jr., the Rev. The Barker Jr. heard," he said. "The work and Stewart H. Welch Jr.

THE NATIONAL Indignation movement was formed last fall, FOR THE U.S. to disarm and when it was reported nationally

> Objectives of the Indignation Convention are:

Air Base, Tex.

Stop Americans from training Communist pilots and technicians in America.

Stop sale of planes and military equipment to Communists. Determine those responsible and

secure their removal from office. Local speakers at the meeting

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BALTIMORE, Jan. 20 (AP) Plans, have been made for Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker to speak by telephone tonight to an organizational meeting of the Indignation Committee of Maryland. Gen. Walker resigned from

the Army November 4 and since has been a frequent critic of what he calls censorship of speeches by military officers.

An indignation committee was first organized in Texas six months ago in protest of American aid to Yugoslavia, which is ruled by Communists. The organizational meeting of the Maryland branch was planned for the Towsontown Junior High School. Gen. Walker will address the group from Midland, Texas.

In a letter inviting member ship, the Maryland branch said the United States was training jet pilots from Yugoslavia and already had sent \$2,081,200,000 to Yugoslavia. The let

ter warns:
"You, the American taxpayers; are financing your own destruction."

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NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION INFORMATION CONCERNING

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Rourairtel 1-26-62.

You should inform Bureau by return mail whether your office is in receipt of any other information indicating there are 22 boxcar loads of Russian ammunition at the dock at Brownsville, Texas.

In the event your files contain no additional information concerning this matter, it will not be necessary for your office to conduct any investigation to correborate or disprove this allegation by Bureau, however, should be advised by letter of the fact your office indices contain no additional data regarding this allegation.

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NOTE: By airtel 1-26-62 Dallas Office reported interview of who furnished information concerning the National Indignation Convention, Dallas, Texas. Such Convention allegedly formed to protest U.S. training of Yugoslav pilots and sale of U.S. military equipment to Yugoslavia. The Convention also allegedly plans to hold a convention in Washington, D.C., in February and May, 1962. During interview informed Dallas Office the National Indignation Convention allegedly received a call from a publisher at Brownsville, Texas, stating 22 boxcar loads of Russian ammunition was at dock at Brownsville and that a legal restraining order had been tried, but had been unsuccessful because the ammunition was outside U.S. jurisdiction. Our contacting Dallas to see if it has received similar data from other sources.

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January 31, 1962 The Attorney General 1 - Mr. Belmont 43656/Director, FBI - Mr. Mohr Mr. DeLoach Mr. Evans Mr. Sullivan NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION INFORMATION CONCERNING (Internal Security) The following information furnished by Dallas, Texas, may be of interest to you. The National Indignation Convention is slated to hold conventions in Washington, D. C., in February and May, m 1962. An official of this organization is known to be S favorable to extending invitations to Cuban exiles and extremist groups such as the John Birch Society. On February 17, 1962, the National Indignation Convention is scheduled to march on the United States Senate and House of Representatives to emphasize the objection of this convention to the training of Yugoslav pilots, mechanics and other personnel in this country. The convention also plans to march on the White House during the activities slated for May, 1962. | who has been serving as a volunteer secretary for the National Indignation Convention at Dallas, Texas, furnished information that 2,500 rooms have been Treserved at a Washington, D. C., hotel for the National Indignation Convention. A recent article appeared in the "Dallas Morning News" indicating the National Indignation Convention will gather at Washington, D. C., between February 17 and February 22, 1962, and on February 22 will hold a Washington's birthday willy in Arlington, Virginia. The theme will be "LET NONE BUT AMERICANS STAND GUARD TONIGHT." A convention of this organization is also to be held in Constitution Hall on May 29 through 20, 1962. REC'D - SUSTICE W 13 WThe National Indignation Convention was formed in Belmon October, 1961, at the Mallas Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, estensibly Mohr to protest against the training of Yugoslay pilots at Ferrin. Wir Force Base. No investigation of this organization has been Callahan Conrad DeLogch Evans conducted by this Bureau Malone Rosen 100-436567 SEE NOTE ON YELLOW PAGE TWO Trofter The Deputy Attorney General Tele, Room RJR: mea/bgc (11)
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#### NOTE ON YELLOW:

Information contained herein furnished by was included in Dallas airtel 1/26/62 captioned "National Indignation Convention, Information Concerning, Internal Security." Information obtained from the "Dallas Morning News" was included in Dallas letter 1/11/62, same caption. Pertinent information in Dallas airtel 1/26/62 has been furnished by Washington Field Office to U. S. Capitol Police; U. S. Park Police; Protective Research, U. S. Secret Service; and the Metropolitan Police Department, Special Investigations Squad.

We are not conducting an investigation of this organization inasmuch as no information has been received indicating its activities are in violation of any Federal statute over which this Bureau has jurisdiction. (See memo Baumgardner to Sullivan dated 1/19/62.)

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The aforementioned is being submitted for information purposes and a letterhead memorandum will be submitted containing the data appearing herein.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-436567)

DATE: 2/6/62



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NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION INFORMATION CONCERNING

INTERNAL SECURITY

Re Dallas airtel to Bureau, 1/26/62, and Bulet to Dallas, 2/2/62.

Enclosed to the Bureau are five copies of a letterhead memorandum, with two copies to Washington Field and one copy to San Antonio, regarding this matter.

The interview with Dallas, was conducted by SA

Copies of this communication are being furnished to Washington Field and San Antonio inasmuch as the NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION is scheduled to be held in Washington, D. C., in February and May, 1962, and inasmuch as 22 boxcars loads of Russian ammunition allegedly was at the dock at Brownsville Texas.

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#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas February 6, 1962

ELETIPO NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION

On January 25, 1962, at 2:10 P.M., Dallas, Texas, Telephone called at the Dallas FBI Office and advised that an individual named JACK ARMSTRONG is currently serving as continuity chairman in the NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION (NIC) who has been serving as a volunteer secretary for the NIC, with offices at 1701 Corrigan Tower, Dallas, Texas, advised that it appeared that was trying to take control of the NIC: stated the NIC was formed by FRANK McGEHEE in Dallas and that the purposes of the NIC is to curb the United States bringing over to this country Yugoslav pilots, mechanics and other personnel and giving them training and to stop the selling of supplies and equipment to Yugoslavia. In addition, she said, the NIC's purpose is to determine who is responsible for bringing the pilots and other personnel into this country and to make it known to the membership and the public. She stated the NIC received a call recently from a publisher at Brownsville. Texas, stating that 22 boxcar loads of Russian ammunition was at the dock at Brownsville, Texas, and that a legal restraining byc order had been tried but had been unsuccessful because the ammunition was outside the United States jurisdiction. stated that the circumstances concerning 22 boxcar loads of Russian ammunition was not clear to her since she had only gained a few facts concerning this alleged incident. She stated that this ammunition was supposed to have been at the dock in Brownsville, yet she had heard that it had been rejected bythe custom officials at Brownsville. Since she had been unsuccessful in getting a legal restraining order for the ammunition, it was stated this ammunition was outside the United States jurisdiction, leading her to believe that perhaps the ammunition might have been in Mexican waters, although she was not sure. She said that some of the ammunition was supposed to have been taken by

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Re: NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION

The indices of the Dallas FBI Office failed to reflect any mention of the 22 boxcar loads of Russian ammunition at Brownsville, Texas.

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### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Knoxville, Tennessee January 22, 1962

### NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION INFORMATION CONCERNING

The Knoxville Journal, Knoxville, Tennessee, a daily publication, on page one and two of the City Edition issue of January 16, 1962, reported in a news article that a group of area citizens are organizing to sponsor with the National Indignation Convention, a Knoxville protest of aid by the United States to Communist nations around the world. This announcement was reported to have been made by a Dr. CECIL E. PITARD.

It was reported that the area group will sponsor along with the convention, a series of speeches starting with a speech at a local Knoxville Hotel on the evening of January 20, 1962. This meeting would be addressed by a closed circuit speech by former Major General EDWIN A. WALKER.

In addition to the meeting it was reported the group had begun circulating petitions addressed to President KENNEDY, Senators ALBERT GORE and ESTES KEFAUVER, and Representative HOWARD BAKER. These petitions purported to call for an immediate halt to the transferring to Communist and "other enemy national" plans and other weapons of war, and materials that can be converted to weapons. It was reported these petitions also call for an immediate half to the training of all Communist and other enemy pilots, technicians and other military personnel and "the identity of those persons in government responsible for the training of any Communist and other enemy personnel."

It was reported that Reverend LEVI WISNER, of Maryville, Tennessee, will be Chairman of the meeting and Dr. G. THOMAS PROCTOR of Rockford, Tennessee, was reported to be program chairman.

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A Mrs. MARINELL WAGGONER, a lawyer of Maryville, Tennessee; FRED MCPEAKE, Knoxville lawyer, and NELSON V. NEE, in charge of admission of foreign students at the University of Tennessee, were reported to be speakers at the January 20th meeting. It was announced the meeting will be open to the public and no admission charged.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

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MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING

representative, New York Life Insurance Company, Metals Bank Building, Butte, Montana, on 2/1/62 advised the Butte Office that he had observed a petition in Helena, Montana, being circulated by the National Indignation Convention, Box 2684, Dallas 21, Texas. According to \_\_\_\_\_\_ this petition is addressed to the United States Government and is urging the removal from this country of any member of a Communist country who is receiving aid, military training or other benefits. The petition referred to the current training of military personnel from Yugoslavia which are receiving training at the Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

inquired as to whether any information could be furnished him regarding the legitimacy of captioned organization

files is confidential and available for official use only. He was informed that the FBI is strictly a fact finding agency and that it was not within the limits of our prescribed functions to draw conclusions or make evaluations as to the character or integrity of any organization, individual or publication. This was not to infer that we do or do not have the information which he requested.

Butte files are negative concerning captioned organization. The above is being furnished for the information of the Bureau and the Dallas Office.

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	Your letter of January 31st, with enclosures, has
	been received, and the interest prompting you to write to me is appreciated. It is always encouraging to hear from citizens who
	demonstrate an awareness of the evils of communism and who desire to combat this threat to our freedoms.
	While I would like to be of assistance to you, the FBI being an investigative agency of the Federal Government
	neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the
	character or integrity of any individual, publication or organization.  In view of this, I am sure you will understand why I am unable to
	comment in the manner you have suggested.
	It is my firm belief that a broad knowledge of the 🚊 🚉
	communist conspiracy is essential if Americans are to effectively?
	a copy of my book, "Masters of Deceit," from your local library
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4-17-61 Internal Security Statement 4-1-61 LEB Introduction Let's Fight Communism Sanely! "The Faith to be Free!" (Criss Award)

NOTE: Bufiles contain no information identifiable with correspondent. Newspaper clippings consisted of a letter to the editor by a Fulton Jones in which he points out the advances made by communism and urges citizens to band together to combat this threat, and an advertisement soliciting signatures on a petition to President Kennedy asking him to stop aid to communist countries. On the bottom of this advertisement was a notation, "Send Contributions to National Indignation Convention." This Convention was held in Dallas, Texas, on 10-14-61, in protest against Yugoslav pilots training at Perrin Air Force Base.

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Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
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Dear Mr. Hoover:

The attached clippings appeared in the Jan 30, issue of the McAllen Evening Monitor, the smaller one being on the front page.

Much publicity has been given to various organizations, which the public either is for or against. Many things have been said for and against the John Birch Pociety, which I know nothing about, and just being a plain ol' U.D. citizen, am at a loss to know what ANY of these organizations to overthrow our Government are all about, as I am sure that SUME of them are Communist controlled.

I would appreciate your comment and advice, regarding the subject matter, and what we can do as American citizens, in regard to the situation that confronts all of us.

Being a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, I am sure that we are all good Americans, or we would never have been able to take our solemn and binding oath and obligation. In our meetings, we occasionally see films, such as Operation Abolition, and Communist Encirclement 1961, the latter being shown just; a week ago.

Your advise on this New National Indignation Committee, Dallas, Texas of will be greatly appreciated.

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# ATTENTION PATRIOTS!

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED AMERICANS, DO PETITION PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY AND OUR DULY ELECTED CONGRESSMEN,

- (1) REMOVE FROM OUR LAND any members of the military of any Communist countries that are now receiving training, or plan to receive training, from the Government of the United States of America;
- IMMEDIATELY CANCEL ANY CONTRACT to any Communist country for the sale of any military equipment (current or obsolete) or material that might be converted to, or made into weapons of war.
- (3) DETERMINE WHO IN THE Department of State of the United States of America is responsible for the current training of Communist military personnel, and;
- (4) ONCE THESE PERSONS ARE MADE KNOWN, let them be removed from their offices, along with any and all persons associated with them that might also bear any responsibility for such treasonous acts.

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NOTE: When filled with signatures, mail or deliver to NATIONAL INDIGNATION Convention, Box 2684, Dallas 21, Texas. — Also any contributions you care to make will be helpful.

This advertisement published by Fulton Jones, McAllen, Texas

Remember, Send Contributions to NATIONAL INDIGNATION Convention, Dallas, Tex.

#### Discontinuance Of Communist Aid Asked in Petition

An advertisement appearing elsewhere in this issue of The Valley Evening Monitor solicits signatures on a petition to President Kennedy asking him to stop all aid from the United States to Communist countries.

The petition is being circulated throughout the nation by the National Indignation Com-

The ad was paid for by Fulton Jones of McAllen who also has a letter to the editor in today's Monitor in which he points out the advances made by the Communists and urges all patriotic Americans' to band together in a united front to meet the enemy threat.

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ENCLOSURE

### The People's Voice

To the Editor:

Let's take a look around the world and see where we stand in the struggle with Communism: Eastern Europe and Asia and in the enemy camp; Cuba is gone; likewise British Guiana; and anti-American riots are commonplace in South American countries. It's

not a pretty picture.

The United States is the principal target of the Communists and they are working around the clock to socialize our economy and weaken our will to resist. No matter what Mr. Kennedy says, the danger is from without and WITH-IN. Communists have wormed their way into positions, of influence in American life and are directing a propaganda broadside against every facet of our culture.

Wittingly or unwittingly, they are being assisted by the National Council of Churches of Christ in America, the National Educa-tion Assn., many labor leaders, and a large segment of the motion picture industry, radio and television and the press. Also we are getting it -and in big doses from men in high places in our government who would sell our country down the river to the Communists.

It's later than we think and time for all red-blooded Americans to band together in the fight for survival. Tomorrow may be too late, However, patriotic out groups, organized to wipe Communism; are emerging all over the nation and each deserves our support. One of those is the National Indignation Convention which has only one objective: to stop all forms of aid to Communist countries from the United States.

The liberal press has done smear job on the John Birch Society. John Birchers have been labeled as "dangerous" and "extreme right wingers". However, I haven't found anything wrong with the society. Its single aim is to save our country from Com-munism and I go along with that objective 100 per cent.

Locally, there are a number of individuals and organizations active in the fight to save America from the Godless philosophy of Communism, Among them are Freedom Newspapers, F. L. Flynn of Harlingen who sponsors the Life Line radio program and Jason and Marcia Matthews of McAllen who have been active in the battle to preserve the American way of life for many years

and are still going strong.
We haven't lost the fight yet But the Communists have us of the defensive and fix keeps. Make no m

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1 - Mr. Belmont 1 - Mr. Mohr - Mr. DeLoach - Mr. Evans - Mr. Sullivan I - Mr. Baumgardner January 31, 1962 Liaison BY LIAISON Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell Special Assistant to the President The White House Washington, D. C. My dear Mr. O'Donnell: DATE 1/21/R BY sname The following information furnished by Dallas, Texas, may be of interest to you. The National Indignation Convention is slated to hold conventions in Washington, D. C., in February and May, 1962. An official of this organization is known to be favorable to extending invitations to Cuban exiles and extremist groups such as the John Birch Society. On February 17, 1962, the National Indignation Convention is scheduled to march on the United States Senate and House of Representatives to-emphasize the objection of this convention to the training of Yugoslav pilots, mechanics and other personnel in this country. The convention also plans to march on the White House during the activities slated for May, 1962. has been serving as a volunteer secretary for the National Indignation Convention at Dallas, Texas, furnished information that 2,500 rooms have been reserved at a Washington, D. C. Ru hotel for the National Indignation Convention REC-15 100-436567 A recent article appeared in the "Dallas Morning News" indicating they article appeared in the "Dallas Morning News" Belmont Washington, D. C., bery 65 February 17 and February 22, 1962, Mohr Callahan and on February, 22 will hold a Washington's trirthday rally in STAND GUARD TONIGHT. " LA . Convention of this organization is also Evans to be held in Constitution Hall on May 29 through 30, 1962, Sullivan 100-436567 Tavel Trotter Tele. Roon Ingram Montage note on yellow, pg 2

Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell

The National Indignation Convention was formed in October, 1961, at the Dallas Auditorium, Dallas, Texas, ostensibly to protest against the training of Yugoslav pilots at Perrin Air Force Base. No investigation of this organization has been conducted by this Bureau.

This information is being furnished to the Attorney General and has been furnished to interested local law enforcement agencies.

Sincerely yours,

Information contained herein-furnished by was included in Dallas airtel 1-26-62 captioned "National Indignation Convention, Information Concerning, Internal Security." Information obtained from the "Dallas Morning News" was included in Dallas letter 1-11-62; same caption. Pertinent information in Dallas airtel 1-26-62 has been furnished by Washington Field Office to U. S. Capitol Police; U. S. Park Police; Protective Research, U. S. Secret Service; and the Metropolitan Police Department, Special Investigations Squad.

We are not conducting an investigation of this organization inasmuch as no information has been received indicating its activities are in violation of any Federal statute oxer which this Bureau has jurisdiction. (See memo Baumgardner to Sullivan dated 1-19-62.)

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	Memorandum	Callahan Conrad DeLoach
1		Malone Rosen
No.	TO: Mr. W. C. Sullivan DATE: February 19, 1962	Sullivan            Tavel            Trotter
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Memorandum to Mr. Sullivan RE: NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION

that the organization would hold a Washington's birthday rally somewhere in the Washington area on 2/22/62 and the theme of the rally would be "Let None But Americans Stand Guard Tonight." Another convention of the organization is scheduled to be held in Constitution Hall, May 29-30, 1962. The information concerning the scheduled activity of the National Indignation Convention was furnished to the Attorney General and to the Honorable P. Kenneth O'Donnell, Special Assistant to the President, on 1/31/62.

#### ACTION:

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Texas, called a press conference in the Capitol the other day. He called, but few responded although how any member of the press could steel himself to stav away



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is beyond me because Mr. McGehee announced he was calling the news conference on behalf of the National Indignation Convention.

Mr. McGehee informed the fascinated few who did show make plans for the National National Indignation Convention.

A few of us, who thought we had heard twice, asked Mr. McGebee if he hadn't employed too many "Nation-

"No," he replied incisively, "it will be the National National Indignation Convention '

"Could you clarify that?"

man who introduced him- hobby is asking President self as Frank McGehee, a Kennedy at White House garage owner, of Dallas, news conferences if he will spell something out.

"It speaks for itself, logically and clearly," replied Mr. McGehee. "It will be the national convention of the National Indignation Convention, so what could we call it except the 'National National Convention'?"

IT WAS SUGGESTED to him that he should go the whole hog and call it the National National Indignation Convention Convention, but Mr. McGehee turned out to be a man who does not lightly accept suggestions. He said he was tentatively setting the convention date as May 28 up that his major purpose for and trying to hire Constitubeing in Washington was to tion Hall, but was not meeting with all the cooperation he thought to be the National National Indignation Convention Convention's due.

"I can't understand the attitude of some people," he said. "We're far to the right of the John Birch Society."

"What's that again; asked a journalist, who hitherto had seemed to be hearing "What's that again?" asked all right.

"We think the John Birch-\_\_\_\_ 5615 B

·By George Dixon

clared Mr. McGehee. "The National Indignation Convention denounces the liberal taint of the John Birch Society."

"I've just got to get a hearing aid," muttered the aforementioned journalist.

By dint of close questioning we established that Mr. McGehee was in dead earnest. He made the flat statement that the National Indignation Convention already has half a million members, and is still growing.

"We have two hundred and sixty-six chairmen," he said,

One of us inquired how many members, on the average, each chairman presided over.

"Our chairmen are not chairmen of anything," ex-plained Mr. McGehee. "We emphasize the importance of the individual.'

The news conference came to an end with the national founder of the National In-dignation Convention declar-ing that Senator John H. Tower and Rep. Bruce Alger, Congress's only Republican from Texas, were growing too leftwing for their own britches.

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UTT SAID HE WAS PARTICULARLY INDIGNANT BECAUSE PRESIDENT KENNEDY WOULD NOT BE SURPRISED TO SEE THE LINCOLN MEMORIAL USED FOR A COCKTAIL PARTY.

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SUBJECT:

NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION

DALLAS, TEXAS

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Station, Detroit, Michigan, furnished the enclosed letter he received from the National Indignation Convention, Dallas, Texas, concerning the program entitled "America Speaks". The letter from the organization ends with the statement "The Anti-Communists of America are on the March!"

The above is furnished to the Bureau in order that they may be aware of the anti-Communist groups forming.

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The National Indignation Convention FREEDOM NETWORK presents

#### "AMERICA SPE!KS"

A grass-roots, cross-section report from everyday, average American citizens who have joined together to form the fastest growing, patriotic movement in America today.

Find out why Americas' farmers, lawyers, widows, college students, etc. are indignant. Hear from the people themselves, the intense, dramatic story of why they are so concerned about the ability of our nation to win, or even survive, the cold war in which we are presently engaged.

This program will emanate from Arlington, Virginia on February 22, 1962.

lt will begin at 9:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time and will last for 90 minutes.

Radio stations wishing to broadcast this program must contact Jack Armstrong, Box 2684, RI 7 - 9951, Dallas, Texas prior to February 12, 1962.

The cost for the ninety minute program will Be \$100.00; and the check should be made payable to the National Indignation Convention, Box 2684, Dallas, Texas.

All checks must be received prior to February 12, 1962.

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On February 7, 1962,

KING 'Radio, 320 Aurora, Seattle, Washington, advised that he had recently received a letter from one JACK ARMSTRONG, Continuity Chairman, National Indignation Convention, b6 b7C P.O. Box 2684, Dallas 21, Texas, phone RI 7-9951, whose address was listed as 1701 Corrigan Tower. DALLAS

The letterhead of the above letter listed the Advisory Council of the National Indignation Convention as "The American Public". The letter stated that Freedom Network presents "America" Speaks", a 90-minute program which will emanate from Arlington, Virginia, at some date in the near future, and the letter was attempting to sell this program to radio stations for \$100. At the bottom of the letter was printed "The Anti-Communists of America are on the March!"

said that he knew nothing of the National Indignation Convention (NIC) or of JACK ARMSTRONG but felt that the organization was a "far right" group, such as the John Birch Society, and would probably sell the program to a lot of radio stations over the country for

The Indices of the Seattle Office contain no reference to the National Indignation Convention. The Seattle files reflect that on August 8, 1957,

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Portland, Ore.
Houston, Tex.
Dear Fellow American:

Newport Beach, Calif. Oklahoma City, Okla.

Wichita, Kan. Midland, Tex. Phoenix, Ariz. Spokane, Wash.

Thank you so very much for your efforts in behalf of the NIC. It is through the efforts of fine people like yourself that the NIC program will be successful.

We would like to put you on our lists as an NIC Congressional District Chairman so that we can continue to have your assistance in this worthwhile program.

I am enclosing our Congressional District Bulletins which will explain the Telephone Rally to you. Please arrange for several groups in your area to call in on the evening of the 23th.

I am, also, enclosing a Radio Station Bulletin so that you and your friends can persuade a local radio station to broadcast the speech by Gen. Walker.

Let me hear from you soon.

Very sincerely yours,

Jack Armstrong
Continuity Chairman

National Indignation Convention

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Special notice to Radio Stations
National Indignation Convention

General Walker's address will be transmitted via a long lines network of American Telephone & Telegraph Co.

His speech can be picked up by any radio station that may desire to air his address. Walker's address will originate at a joint Midland and Odessa, Texas Indignation Convention beginning at 8:30 P.M. Central Standard Time. It will be followed by an explanation of the National Indignation Convention's plan of action for the period 1-21-62 through 5-30-62. The entire program will last one hour and a half.

If your station is interested, please contact & B. Hedges, Sales Representative,
American Telephone and Telegraph Company, 212 North St. Paul Street, Dallas 1, Texas
Phone number Ri 7-5311, extension 3286. The network is extended to approximately
forty cities as of January 11, 1962. Arrangements have been made with A.T. & T. to
deal direct with any radio station who wishes to tie in and air General Walker's
speech. Many stations located near the network TELCO stations can probably tie in
for a nominal loop charge.

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P. O. Box 2684

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January, 1962

ADVISORY COUNCIL The American Public

NIC CENTERS Stamford, Conn. Baltimore, Md. High Point, N. C.

Miami Beach, FlaTO: All Congressional District Committees

Nashville, Tenn. Chicago, III.

New Orleans, La. To achieve its purpose, which is to make the individual congressman responsible to an informed electorate for his actions in Congress, the Omaha, Nebr. NIC must work through Congressional District Committees.

Wichita, Kan. Midland, Tex. Phoenix, Ariz.

Our initial program, for organizational purposes, consists of circula-Spokane, Wash. ting petitions and holding rallies.

Portland, Ore. Houston, Tex.

Newport Beach, Calif.
Oklahoma City, Oklach Congressional District Committee will please give top priority to the following:

> January 20: A NATIONAL TELEPHONE RALLY will be held on this date. Small rallies will be organized all over the nation, with at least one rally in each District. Desk size loud speaker attachments can be rented from the telephone company which will enable from twenty to thirty people to hear a telephone conversation easily. The charge is nominal, but the telephone company needs several days to a week to make the necessary arrangements. By all means contact the telephone company as soon as possible about your rally. On the evening of the 20th, between 6:00 p.m. and midnight, all the groups will meet and place a call to the Dallas Memorial Auditorium at the following number:

> > RI - 2 - 9511

The cost of the call must be charged to the group placing the call. This expense can probably be held to from ten to twenty dollars. No collect calls can be accepted by the Dallas group.

If there are several rallies in one area, it will be possible to tie them together on a conference call and then connect them all to the Dallas rally; however, this is not mandatory but will be left to the discretion of the individual groups. Any group will be able to contact Dallas direct and, while connected with Dallas, will be able to talk to and hear from all other groups connected with Dallas at the same time.

The importance of having these small rallies cannot be overstressed as this will be the last organizational opportunity preceding the next important phase of NIC activity.

Sincerely,

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Jack Armstrong

Continuity Chairman

National Indignation Convention

1701 Corrigan Tower

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TO

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-436567)

3/15/62

SAC, RICHMOND (105-3341)

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SUBJECT:

NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION INFORMATION CONCERNING, INTERNAL SECURITY

(00:DALLAS)

Re Dallas letter to Bureau, 1/11/62.

Captioned organization is not known to have held a Washington Birthday rally in Arlington, Virginia on February 22, 1962. Through established contacts with Arlington County Police Department and other logical sources, there was no information pertaining to the captioned organization received in this office.

UACB, no further investigation being conducted by this office.

Information copy to WFO in view of their interest in this matter.

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and giving them training and to stop the sale of supplies and equipment to Yugoslavia. In addition, she said, the NIC's purpose is to determine who is responsible for bringing the pilots and other personnel into this country, and to make it known to the membership and the public. She also reported that one JACK ARMSTRONG, who was currently serving as continuity chairman of the NIC, was known to be favorable to extending invitations to the Minutemen, Freedom Fighters, Cuban exiles, and John Birch Society members to the convention.

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Enclosed to the Bureau are 5 copies of a letterhead memorandum, with one copy being designated for New York for information purposes.

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## U TED STATES DEPARTMENT OF USTICE

#### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas November 1, 1963

#### NATIONAL INDIGNATION CONVENTION

The "Dallas Morning News," a Dallas, Texas, daily newspaper, dated October 25, 1963, reflected that Ambassador ADLAI STEVENSON was struck on the head with a picket sign, spat upon, and booed Thursday night, October 24, 1963, as he left a United Nations Day program at Dallas Memorial Auditorium Theater.

The near riot broke out as STEVENSON stopped to shake hands with well wishers and pickets alike outside a rear door of the auditorium where more than 2,000 persons heard the Ambassador to the United Nations praise work of the world organization for the last 18 years.

The newspaper reported that Dallas police attempted to rush STEVENSON out the back door after pickets had crowded around his automobile at the auditorium's front entrance and blocked his path from the building. As STEVENSON emerged from the back door, there were cheers and boos. About 15 feet from the waiting car he stopped and turned toward the crowd, smiling, the newspaper said. It was then a "Down With U.N." sign plunged with a thud on the Ambassador's head. With an expression of shock on his face, according to the newspaper, STEVENSON stepped back. Police lunged into the crowd and grabbed a woman. STEVENSON quickly regained his composure and walked toward the woman and after they exchanged words quickly the police led her away.

As the Ambassador turned to the car, the newspaper reported, he was spat upon by a 22-year old Irving man, identified by police as a student at North Texas University. Police grabbed the man and pinned him against a police car hood as he spat upon the officer.

These events climaxed the United Nations Day program which began with National Indignation Convention leader FRANK McGEHEE, of Dallas, attempting to get STEVENSON's attention as

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the Ambassador started his locally televised speech. The newspaper reported that after several tension-filled moments, police escorted McGEHEE out a side door of the theaters

The woman involved in the sign incident identified herself to reporters and police as Mrs. CORA LACY FREDERICKSON, age 47, 1415 Dominion. Mrs. FREDERICKSON, according to newspaper, was visibly shaken and told reporters she only intended to shove the sign in front of STEVENSON's face. She said someone pushed her hand, causing the placard to hit STEVENSON. Police said the Ambassador requested they release Mrs. FREDERICKSON.

Meanwhile, police rushed the man who spat on the 2-time Democratic candidate for president of the United States, to police headquarters. He identified himself as a business student at North Texas State University. He said he got mad at STEVENSON after talking to Cuban refugees who were picketing the theater and then hearing the Ambassador's speech. The student was booked on investigation of aggravated assault and inciting a riot. He also spat in the face of Patrolman L. R. LARKINS, as the officer attempted to restrain the man.

JACK GOREN, U. N. Day chairman, told Ambassador STEVENSON after his speech, that the "bad manners shown by a few are totally uncharacteristic of Texans."

The newspaper reported that 30 policemen were on duty at the theater, including 17 special one-man squads, equipped to handle demonstrations. Many of the pickets carried American flags and signs attacking the United Nations. The pickets refused to identify themselves, according to the newspaper, but many said they had attended EDWIN A. WALKER'S United States Day Rally on Wednesday night in the same auditorium.

The newspaper reported that one picket told reporters there were many Young Americans for Freedom members present Thursday night, as well as some representatives from Young Republican Clubs in the Dallas area.

STEVENSON was honored with a reception backstage after his speech, sponsored by the Dallas United Nations Association and the League of Women Voters.

On January 25, 1962, Dallas, Texas, who was a volunteer secretary for the National Indignation Convention, advised-that the NIC (National Indignation Convention) was formed by FRANK McGEHEE in Dallas, and that the purposes of the NIC is to curb the United States in bringing to to this country Yugoslav pilots, mechanics, and other personnel

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NOTE:

The groups and individual referred to herein are similar in organization and purpose to the "Minutemen" but are not affiliated with this organization which is headed by

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An item from "The Dallas Times Herald" for 5/3/62, revealed that Major General EDWIN A. WALKER, then one of six Democratic candidates for Texas governor, had addressed a National Indignation Convention audience of about 500 at Dallas the previous night. He accused the KENNEDY administration of leading the nation into a totalitarian state, and foresaw an end to free elections in the United States under United Nationslmilitary control.

Throughout the inquiry conducted concerning the National Indignation Convention, there was never any indication that that group was racial in nature, had among its membership members of the Ku Klux Klan, or was making any effort to collect weapons for any reason whatsoever.

In early 1964, FRANK McGEHEE was mailing mimeographed letters to numerous individuals throughout the United States seeking personal financial assistance, and citing financial obligations assumed by him on behalf of the National Indignation Convention as the reason for his solicitation. However, there is no indication that this organization has been active as a group for more than a year.

Review of the case captioned "JOHN THOMAS MASEN, aka., IS - CUBA, NEUTRALITY MATTER," Bufile 105-125147, Dallas 105-1686, discloses the following:

MASEN first came to the attention of the San Antonio Office in October, 1963, when it was learned he was in contact with an Army captain at Fort Hood, Texas, and indicated he, MASEN, was attempting to find someone interested in buying military information regarding a large-scale Caribbean maneuver or exercise. MASEN thereafter contacted this Captain on several occasions, seeking information as to where certain type firearms and scrap, could be purchased, and it appeared that at least some of these inquiries concerned the possible purchase and resale of firearms and ammunition to a group or groups which planned to attack Castro Cuba.

On 11/20/63, MASEN was arrested by officers of the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit in Dallas for violation of the Federal Firearms Act, being accused of selling parts which could convert an M-1 semi-automatic carbine into an M-2 fully automatic carbine.



On 10/6/64, in U. S. District Court at Dallas, MASEN was fined \$300 and assessed a 90-day jail sentence for violation of the National Firearms Act by failure to register the sale of a machine pistol. The jail term was suspended for six months pending payment of the fine. According to newspaper articles appearing in the Dallas press, the offense allegedly occurred from November 14 to 20, 1963, when a police officer made a number of purchases and trades for weapons, including a German-made machine pistol. Agents also had information that MASEN claimed to have been in contact with machine gun dealers in Mexico, according to data offered the court. MASEN at first pleaded innocent, but later changed his plea to guilty.

Throughout the inquiry conducted by this office in connection with the above case there was never any indication that MASEN, or any of the individuals with whom he was dealing in the purchase and sale of firearms, weapons, and ammunition, were involved with any Klan groups or individuals known to be members of the Klan.

Review of the case captioned "UNNAMED ORGANIZATION OF DALLAS, TEXAS, PATRIOTS, INFORMATION CONCERNING (INTERNAL SECURITY), Bufile 100-439412, Dallas file 105-1475 discloses the following:

Inquiry in that case was commenced with the arrest of ASHLAND F. BURCHWELL of Dallas on 9/30/63, by the Dallas PD, at which time he had in his possession several firearms, a large amount of ammunition, a switch-blade knife, and 200 or 300 cards which appeared to be membership cards of some organization. In interviews, BURCHWELL admitted being associated with an unnamed organization, similar to, but not affiliated with the "Minutemen." BURCHWELL had been assigned under General EDWIN A. WALKER while in the armed services and had worked briefly for him as a civilian in Dallas. He and other sources described the group as one whose members feared a communist take-over in the United States, and who had banded together to resist the communists in any invasion or subversion of the United States.

who was a member of this group, denied that there was any connection with the group and General WALKER.

Immediately prior to BURCHWELL's arrest, he met with six other individuals in Dallss to decide whether to go to Mississippi, following General WALKER's television appeal for followers to go to that state to protest illegal Federal encroachment upon the state rights of Mississippi. BURCHWELL stated it was finally decided not to go to Mississippi since by doing so the members of the group would be leaving themselves open to possible prosecution.

BURCHWELL also stated he had the weapons and ammunition in his car at the time of arrest because he was in the process of moving his residence and had been carrying these items in his car for a couple of days. I advised the group was gathering equipment to resist the takeover of the United States by U. N. troups which they felt was imminent.

The fears on the part of members of the above group appeared to be based, on some part, on the writings and speeches of former General WALKER.

Based on the fact the above organization had decided not to get involved in Oxford, Mississippi, and the complete lack of any information indicating its members had any affiliation with or interest in the Ku Klux Klan or other racially-inspired groups, but was more of an anti-communist organization with strong right wing tendencies, it was concluded that the group was not racial in nature.

The Bureau's attention is called to recent correspondence from Dallas in connection with the case captioned "'MINUTEMEN', INFORMATION CONCERNING (INTERNAL SECURITY)," Bufile 62-107261, Dallas file 105-1280, in which the Bureau has been advised of a group in Fort Worth, Texas, apparently aligned with the "MINUTEMEN," which has been organized to fight against Federal control of national and local governments and to fight for "State's rights." This group believes the Federal government is "selling Out" to the communists and that they are the last line of defense against this sellout. This group is reportedly secondarily racial in that it believes in white supremacy.



Several members of this group claim to be acquainted with General EDWIN A. WALKER, who has been reported as acting in the capacity as advisor. The group also has reportedly been collecting firearms and ammunition, and is ready to take action against various Negro leaders in the Fort Worth area in the event of a Negro uprising there. However, information obtained to date indicates this group is local in nature and concerned only with matters in the Fort Worth area. The source in that case has also advised that the group has no connection with the Ku Klux Klan. Contact is maintained with this source and this office has been alert for any information to indicate the group might be involved in the alleged insurrection plot of the Klan. Investigation is continuing in that matter and the Bureau is being currently advised of developments.

It is noted that Birmingham is origin in the case captioned "ALLEGED KLAN PARTICIPATION IN INSURRECTION PLOT, RM." However, because the inquiry and file review set forth in this letter pertains to groups and individuals who have no known connection with Klan activity and are local in nature, and because no copy of reference Bureau letter was furnished Birmingham, copies of this letter are not being designated for that office.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-2138) DATE: 12/15/64	<u>;</u>
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-425) (P)	,
SUBJECT:  ALLEGED KLAN PARTICIPATION  IN INSURRECTION PLOT  RACIAL MATTERS  ALLEGED KLAN PARTICIPATION  Classified by OFFICE OLD  Declassify on: OADR	
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SA on 12/8/64, and was contacted by b70 on 12/14/64. These sources, who were previously alerted to immediately advise if any information came to their attention to substantiate the rumors concerning Klan groups in Alabama and Mississippi acting under the direction of Major General EDWIN A. WALKER in bringing about an insurrection advised they had no information indicating that JOHN THOMAS MASEN, the Unnamed Organization of Dallas, Texas, Patriots, or the National Indignation Convention might be involved in this alleged insurrection plot.  Who has general knowledge concerning klan members in the Dallas area, advised he had never received any information to indicate that MASEN or the above groups were ever affiliated with any klan groups, or that they were racial in origin or purpose.  A review of the Dallas files on MASEN and the two organizations mentioned in reference Bulet reveals the following:  Review of the case captioned NATIONAL INDUMATION CONVENTION, MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING, Befile 100-436567, Dallas 105-1264, discloses the following:	M CHARLES
That organization was formed by FRANK McGEHEF in Dallas, in about October, 1961, to protest the bringing to the United States pilots, mechanics, and other personnal from Yugoslavia for training, and to stop the sale of supplies and equipment to that country. Available information indicated that the John Birch Society in Dallas was the prime mover be hind the National Indignation Convention and that most leading makers of the latter organization were also members of the John Birch Society. The National Indignation Convention also indicated in 1962 that they would attempt to defeat all members of the U.S. Congress who voted in favor of foreign aid to Yugoslavia or Poland.  Bureau  Bureau  Bureau  Bureau  Company Division 1964  Bureau  Company Division 1964  Company Divisio	

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